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NO MATTER WHAT THE COST,
HE HAD TO LEARN...

**"THE PYRAMID'S
SECRET!"**



Come on, Buddy, Quit being A BAG-of-BONES Weakling like I was

IN 10 MINUTES OF FUN A DAY

YOU Can do ALL I did!

I gained 25 Terrific LBS. of **HANDSOME POWER-PACKED MUSCLES** all over!

I improved my **HE-MAN LOOKS 1000%**

I won **NEW STRENGTH** for money-making work! for WINNING at all SPORTS!

I won **NEW POPULARITY** Won NEW FRIENDS, BOYS & GIRLS NEW CHANCES for BUSINESS SUCCESS

He
Pal!
Win
\$100
as I just
did!



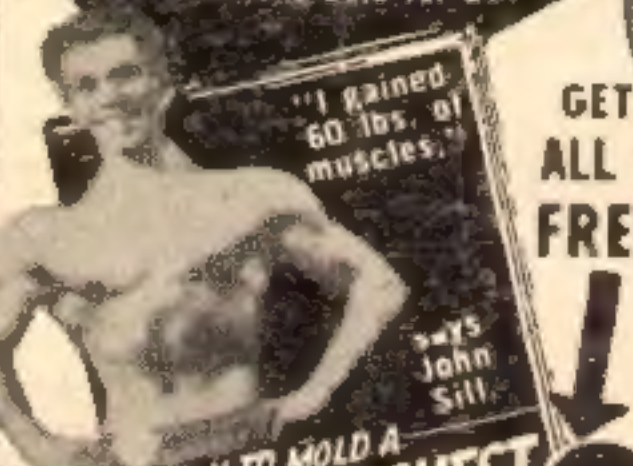
"I'm PROUD to be seen with Jim NOW! Every-body admires his build," says Nellie. "Jim can lift the front of a 2700 lb. car. He amazes his friends!"



You'll be A Real ATHLETE in ALL SPORTS Soon after YOU mail Coupon.

Jim is a WINNER in ALL SPORTS NOW. YOU will be, too, soon.

How did I do ALL This? I mailed the Coupon and got These **5** PICTURE PACKED HE-MAN COURSES Which YOU can NOW get FREE BEFORE \$1 PRICE GOES BACK Millions Sold for \$1



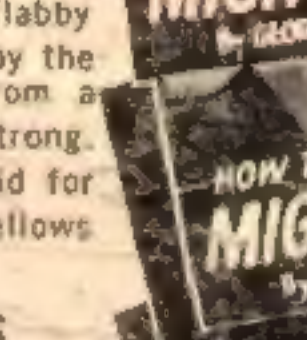
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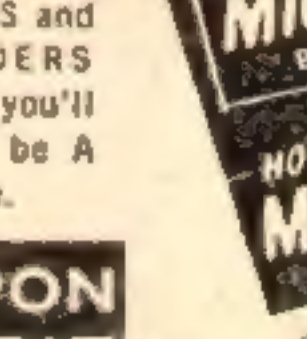
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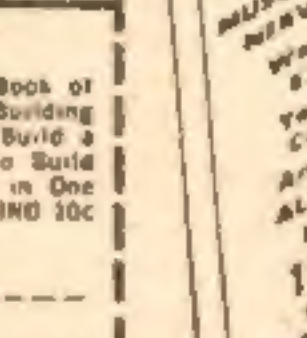
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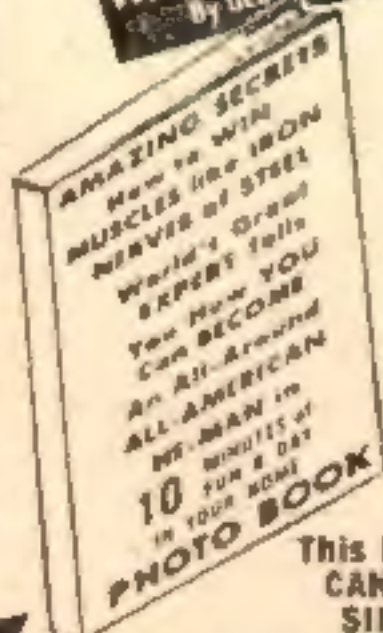
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GET ALL 5 FREE

YOU CAN WIN a BIG 15" SILVER CUP as I just did! with YOUR NAME engraved on it!



JIM NORMAN AFTER

He Mailed Coupon Below is Cleveland

BEFORE

He Mailed Coupon

90 lb. Skeleton

He says,

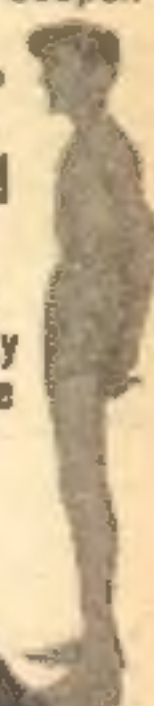
I gained

70 lbs.

of

mighty

muscle



COME ON, PAL, NOW YOU give me 10 PLEASANT MINUTES A DAY IN YOUR OWN HOME like Jim did and I'll give YOU A NEW HE-MAN BODY for your OLD SKELETON FRAME

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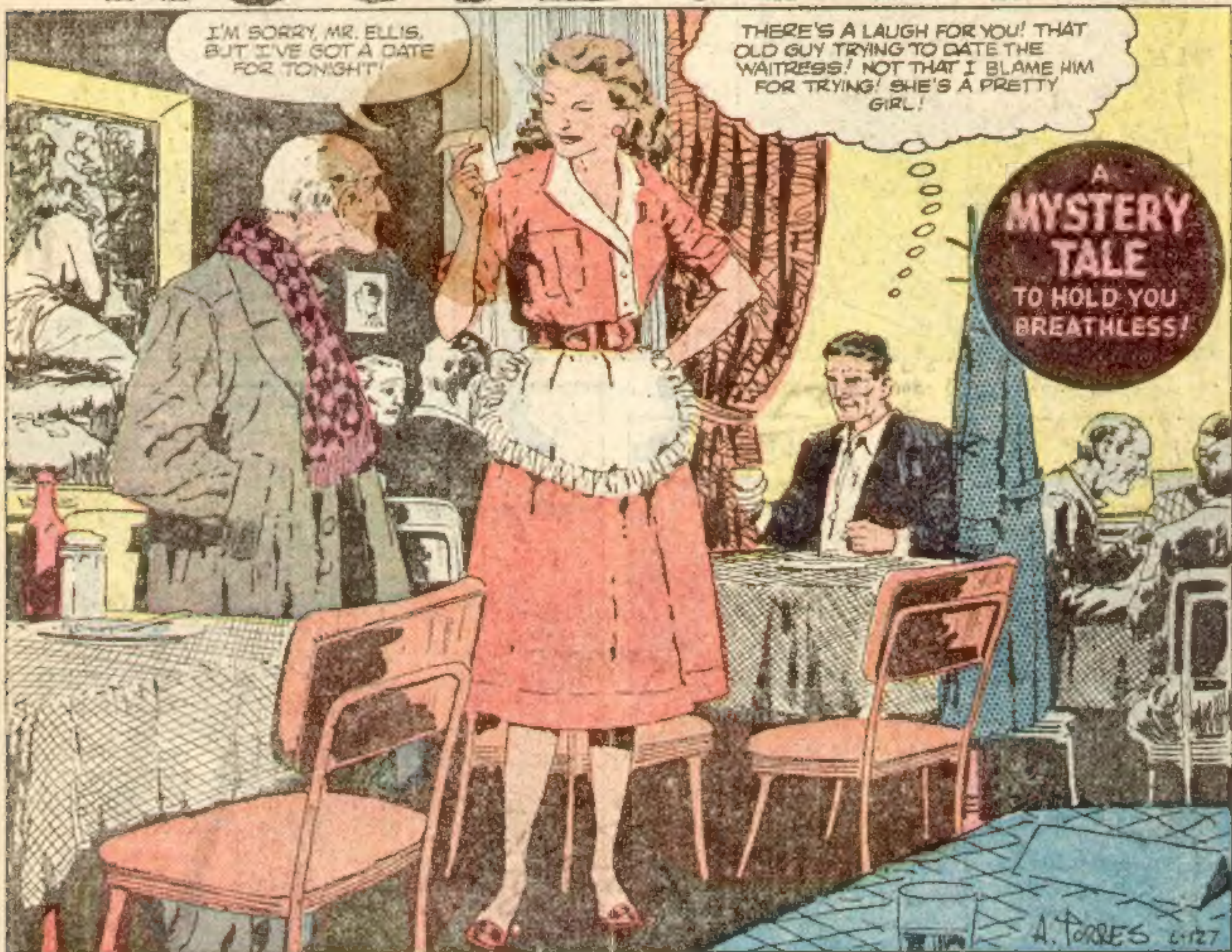
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AN OLD HOUSE WITH A SPELL CAST ON IT? LEN COWRY SAID THAT WAS NONSENSE, SUPERSTITION OUT OF THE DARK AGES! WELL, THEN PERHAPS THERE WAS SOME OTHER EXPLANATION FOR THE STRANGE FATE THAT BEFELL LEN WHEN HE ENTERED...

the HOUSE OF EVIL!



LEN COWRY SUDDENLY BECAME VERY INTERESTED AT THE MENTION OF MONEY...



THE OLD GUY HAS A LOT OF MONEY IN THE BANK... AND HE'S ASKED YOU TO MARRY HIM, BUT YOU REFUSED?

OH, HE'S PECULIAR! HE KEEPS HIS MONEY HIDDEN IN HIS HOME! SOME SAY IT'S SIXTY THOUSAND OR SO! BUT I WOULDN'T LIVE THERE FOR ANYTHING! THAT'S A VERY STRANGE HOUSE!



WELL, FORGET THE OLD GUY! I MEANT THAT ABOUT GOING OUT WITH ME!

I GUESS IT'LL BE ALL RIGHT... I'M THROUGH HERE AT NINE-THIRTY!

LEN'S LOVE FOR JEAN WAS SECONDARY! HE HAD OLD FRED ELLIS'S MONEY FOREMOST ON HIS MIND! AND MAINLY FOR THAT REASON, HE DATED JEAN EVERY NIGHT OF THE WEEK...



LEN, YOU SAID YOU HAD SOMETHING IMPORTANT TO ASK ME...

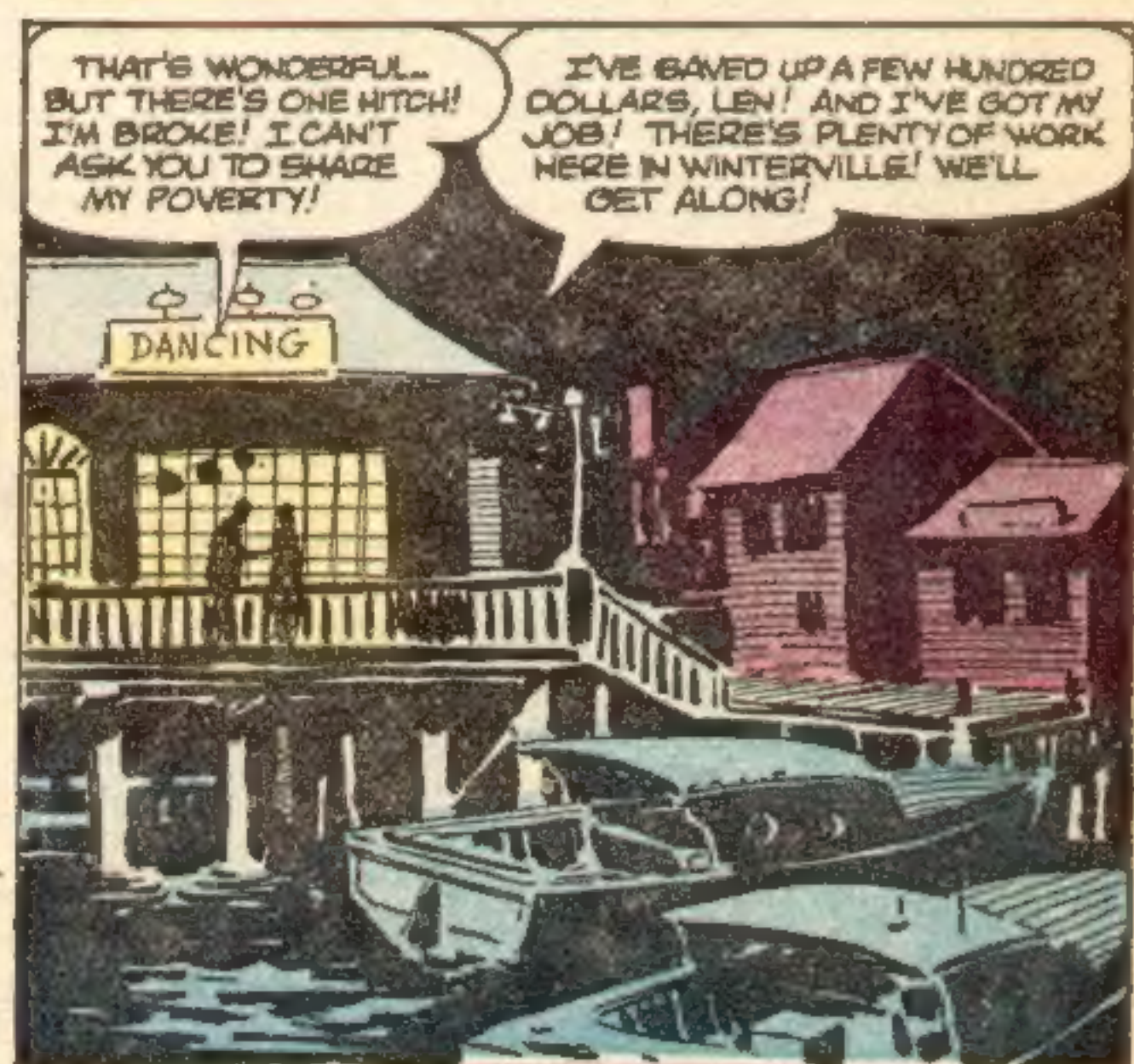
YEAH, SWEETHEART, BUT NOT HERE! LET'S GO OUT ON THE BACK TERRACE!

HE HAD MADE SURE JEAN ROSS WOULD FALL FOR HIM...



I KNOW IT'S KIND OF QUICK, HONEY, BUT THAT'S THE WAY I AM! I WANT YOU, JEAN... WILL YOU MARRY ME?

I FELL FOR YOU THE FIRST NIGHT WE WENT OUT TOGETHER! YES, DEAR... I'LL MARRY YOU!



THAT'S WONDERFUL... BUT THERE'S ONE HITCH! I'M BROKE! I CAN'T ASK YOU TO SHARE MY POVERTY!

I'VE SAVED UP A FEW HUNDRED DOLLARS, LEN! AND I'VE GOT MY JOB! THERE'S PLENTY OF WORK HERE IN WINTERVILLE! WE'LL GET ALONG!



I WANT TO GIVE YOU EVERYTHING, HONEY, NOT TAKE FROM YOU! LISTEN, THAT OLD MAN, FRED ELLIS... YOU SAID HE'S GOT A LOT OF MONEY IN HIS HOUSE!

NOW, WAIT A MINUTE, LEN! WE'RE NOT GOING TO HURT THAT POOR FELLOW!



WHO SAID ANYTHING ABOUT HURTING HIM? SUPPOSING I DO TAKE FORTY THOUSAND... THAT STILL LEAVES HIM TWENTY! PLENTY FOR AN OLD GUY TO LIVE IN COMFORT THE REST OF HIS DAYS!

NO, LEN! I BEG YOU, KEEP AWAY FROM THAT HOUSE! IT'S GOT AN EVIL SPELL ON IT!



LEN AND JEAN SOON ARRIVED AT THE LONELY, ISOLATED, OLD HOUSE! SHE KNOCKED, AND HER VOICE QUIVERED...





THERE IS NO CATCH! I TELL YOU THIS HOUSE HAS MADE AN OLD MAN OF ME BEFORE MY TIME. IT'S JUST TOO MUCH RESPONSIBILITY! I'D RATHER LIVE AT SOME HOTEL!

YOU HEAR THAT, JEAN? I CAN HAVE THIS PLACE FLYED UP LIKE A PALACE FOR TEN THOUSAND, AND WE'LL BE ABLE TO LIVE BIG ON THE REST OF THE MONEY!



LEN, ARE YOU SURE THIS IS WHAT YOU WANT?

OF COURSE! I CAME HERE TO ROB THE OLD GUY...INSTEAD, HE'S PAYING ME TO TAKE THIS HOUSE OFF HIS HANDS!



YOU'LL FIND THE WHOLE FORTY THOUSAND THERE, MR. COWRY! AND HERE'S MY SIGNATURE ON THE DEED TO THE HOUSE!

ALL NICE AND LEGAL! I NEVER EXPECTED TO GET A BREAK LIKE THIS IN MY LIFE!



SEE, JEAN...EVERYTHING WORKED OUT FINE! TOMORROW MORNING WE'LL GO TO TOWN HALL AND GET A MARRIAGE LICENSE!

NO WE WON'T, LEN! I TOLD YOU I'D NEVER LIVE IN THIS HOUSE! I'LL NEVER MARRY YOU!



I DON'T UNDERSTAND! JEAN! I THOUGHT...HEY...WHAT'S HAPPENED TO FRED ELISE?

YOU WOULDN'T BELIEVE THAT THERE'S A SPELL ON THIS HOUSE OF EVIL, LEN! WELL, IT'S YOUR HOUSE NOW, AND THE EVIL THAT GOES WITH IT IS YOURS, TOO!



I SEE IT ALL NOW! YOU PLANNED THIS WHOLE THING WITH HIM! HE'S THE ONE YOU WANTED TO MARRY!

YOU ONLY SEE HALF OF IT, LEN! JUST WAIT TILL YOU SEE YOURSELF IN A MIRROR!

THE END

MEDICAL RESEARCH DISCOVERS TREATMENT FOR PIMPLES

**ACNE, TEEN-AGE
PIMPLES, SURFACE
SKIN BLEMISHES
and IRRITATIONS!**

DO YOU feel your skin is holding back your chances for popularity . . . for success? Are you afraid people whom you'd like to know will reject you? Thousands of people who felt the same as you—now have clear attractive complexions. They've regained their poise and confidence. You can benefit from their experience!

SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH REVEALS NEGLECT CAUSE OF MANY SKIN TROUBLES

Skin Specialists and Medical statistics tell us that broken out skin usually occurs from adolescence and can continue on through adulthood. Adolescents often carry these scars throughout their life. Many never get over the "feeling of embarrassment" and are always conscious of their appearance and complexion. Persistent cases of "bad skin" sometimes continue on through adulthood. In this stage of life, the responsibilities of earning a living and meeting people are essential if you are to climb the ladder of success in your job. It is doubly important to give your skin problems *immediate care*. Physicians state that to neglect your skin may prolong your skin troubles and make it more difficult to clear up. And, there is no better time to get pimples under control than **NOW!**

DON'T LET UGLY PIMPLES BLEMISH YOUR PERSONALITY, RUIN YOUR CONFIDENCE OR SPOIL YOUR TALENTS!

Laboratory analysis using special microscopes gives us the scientific facts regarding those unsightly pimples. High-powered lenses show your skin consists of several outer layers. Projecting through this epidermis, are hairs, the ducts of the sweat glands and the tiny tubes of the sebaceous glands which supply the skin with oil to keep it soft and pliable. Skin specialists will tell you that many skin eruptions can often be traced to an over-secretion of oil from the sebaceous glands. As a result of this over-secretion, more oil than is normally required by the skin is deposited on the outside of the skin. Unless special care is taken, this excessive oil forms an oily coating which is a catch-all for all foreign matter in the air. When dust, dirt, lint, etc. become embedded into the tiny skin openings and block them up, they can cause the pores to become enlarged and therefore even more susceptible to additional dirt and dust. These enlarged, blocked up pores may form blackheads as soon as they become infected and bring you the worry, despair, embarrassment and humiliation of pimples, blackheads and other blemishes.

DON'T SPREAD INFECTION BY SQUEEZING PIMPLES AND BLACKHEADS

Clinical reports state that many people squeeze out pimples and blackheads with their fingers. This is unsanitary and may lead to the spread of the infection. This abuse may also inflame your skin and leave red welts and ugly looking blanches and bumps. As a result your face may be covered with pimples and blemishes. Soon you'll be sorry you ever squeezed or picked at your skin by using this *unscientific* method to get rid of skin eruptions.



AMAZING NEW MEDICAL FORMULA Reported in Leading Medical Journal MAKES EXCITING GOOD NEWS for all sufferers from **PIMPLES**

**ACNE, TEEN-AGE PIMPLES, SURFACE
SKIN BLEMISHES and IRRITATIONS!**

Actual clinical tests conducted by leading doctors have proven that an amazing, new-type medication helps clear up acne blemishes while it covers and hides embarrassing pimples! In the many cases tested by the doctors there were a mixture of men, women and children. White and Negro. Some with recent pimple eruptions and others with acne troubles of many years. The results were:

100% SUCCESSFUL IN CLINICAL TESTS

***45% were COMPLETELY CLEARED!
38% were DECIDEDLY IMPROVED!
17% were IMPROVED!**

NOW THE SAME TYPE OF MEDICATION
USED IN THESE CLINICAL TESTS
IS AVAILABLE TO YOU!

DOCTORS RECOMMEND THIS TREATMENT

Physicians report two important ways to control this condition: First, they prescribe clearing the pores of clogging matter; and second, inhibit the excessive oiliness of the skin.

To help overcome these two conditions, Scope Products' research make available two scientifically-tested formulas that contain clinically proven ingredients. The first formula contains special cleansing properties not found in ordinary cold creams or skin cleansers. Thoroughly, but gently, it removed all surface scales, dried sebaceous matter, dust, dirt and debris—leaving your skin wonderfully soft, smooth and receptive to proper treatment. The second formula acts to reduce the excessive oiliness produced by the overactive sebaceous glands.

DON'T LET UGLY BLACKHEADS BLEMISH YOUR PERSONALITY

If you want help in getting rid of those ugly blackheads, you need SCOPE'S Amazing DOUBLE ACTION Skin Formula. See how fast and easy it aids in clearing the skin of those unsightly blackheads. It loosens those pore-clogging impurities and softens the hard deposits underneath and around the blackheads, making their removal simple and effective. Scope Medicated Cream, with its successfully tested ingredients, instantly and completely covers up all skin irritations, leaving your skin clearer, smoother, and more attractive looking.

COVERS UP UNSIGHTLY BLEMISHES WHILE MEDICATION DOES ITS WORK

To remove the immediate embarrassment of skin blemishes, Scope Medicated Skin Formula helps conceal while it medicates! Unlike many other skin preparations, Scope Formula has a *pleasant fragrance*! Imagine! The moment you apply the Scope Treatment to your skin you can instantly face the immediate present with greater confidence in your appearance. At the same time, you are sure that the medication is acting to remove surface skin blemishes and helping to prevent new ones. This "cover-up" action gives you peace of mind. No longer need you suffer from the feeling of self-consciousness or inferiority. Make this your first step in the direction of a clear complexion and skin that's lovable to kiss and touch!

SATISFACTION GUARANTEED OR DOUBLE YOUR MONEY BACK

We make this guaranteed offer because so many users of Scope Medicated Skin Formula have written us telling how it helped to clear up their complexion. We want you to try the Scope Double Treatment at *our risk*. Just a few minutes of your time each day can yield more gratifying results than you ever dreamed possible! If you are not delighted in every way by the improved condition and general appearance of your skin **IN JUST 10 DAYS**, simply return the unused portion and we will refund not just the price you paid — but **DOUBLE YOUR MONEY BACK!** You have everything to gain . . . and we take all the risk!

NOW YOU CAN GET THE SCOPE 2-WAY "COVER-UP" ACTION AND MEDICATED SKIN TREATMENT IMMEDIATELY WITHOUT DELAY!

Just send your name and address to SCOPE PRODUCTS CO., Dept. 15-B, 1 Orchard Street, New York, N. Y. Be sure to print clearly. By return mail we will ship the Scope treatment to you in a plain package. When postman delivers the package, pay only \$1.98 plus postage. Or send \$2.00 now and we pay postage. No matter which way you order, you have a **DOUBLE REFUND GUARANTEE**. Don't delay, send for the Scope Medicated Skin treatment with its special "cover-up" action . . . today! Sorry no Canadian or foreign C.O.D.s.

THERE IS A MYSTERIOUS POWER CONTAINED IN THE LITTLE BOX...A STRANGE POWER, MORE POTENT THAN MANKIND HAS EVER DARED DREAM OF BEFORE!

The Little BLACK BOX

WHEW... I'M EXHAUSTED! BUT IF THIS WORKS... IT WILL HAVE BEEN WORTH A HUNDRED SLEEPLESS NIGHTS!



ROBERT Q. SALE L-208

FATIGUE AND EXCITEMENT MAKE JEFFREY TAYLOR'S HANDS TREMBLE AS HE PREPARES FOR THE FINAL TEST! THE DOG LIES AT THE OTHER END OF THE LABORATORY, PLACIDLY UNAWARE OF THE LITTLE BLACK BOX THAT IS NOW BEING POINTED AT HIM...

THE DOG'S BEEN CONDITIONED TO HATE CANDY... TO SNARL AND BARE HIS TEETH JUST AT THE SIGHT OF IT!



BUT NOW I HAVE MY **THOUGHT-TRANSFERENCE SUGGESTER** MACHINE FOCUSED ON HIM...AND IF IT WORKS...THERE'S GOING TO BE A DRASTIC SPLIT-SECOND CHANGE IN HIS EATING HABITS!



WRITTEN BY BUCKET HEAD

THE SCIENTIST LOOKS AT A PLATE OF CANDY ON THE FLOOR! THEN HIS FACE KNOTS WITH CONCENTRATION! HE HAS ERASED EVERYTHING FROM HIS MIND BUT A SINGLE THOUGHT, AND HE SILENTLY INTONES THAT THOUGHT OVER AND OVER AGAIN!

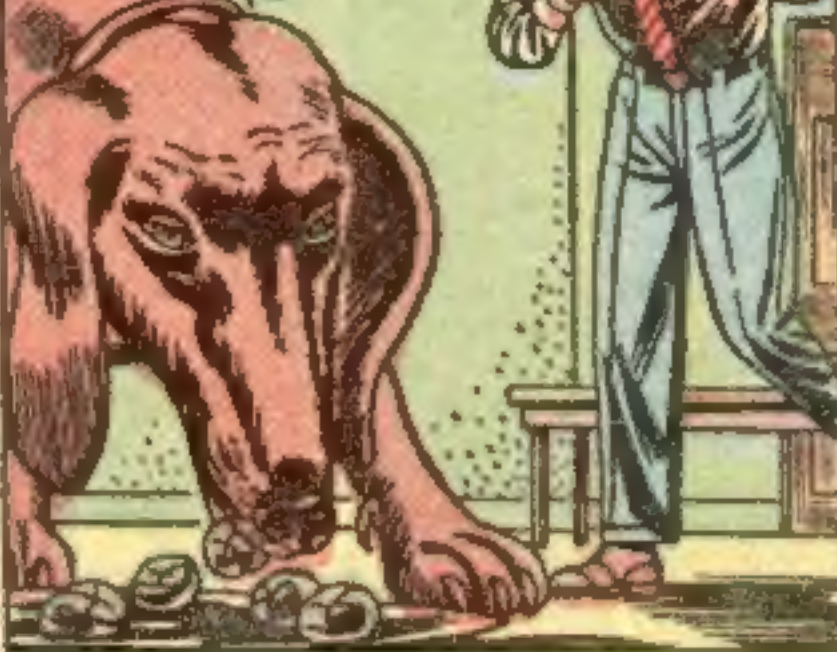
I WANT TO EAT THAT CANDY... I WANT TO EAT THAT CANDY...



THE DOG STIRS UNEASILY, RISES... THE DOG'S MOUTH OPENS WIDE! AND THEN...

IT WORKS! MY SUGGESTER WORKS!

KRUNCH!



AT LAST JEFFREY TAYLOR HAS REACHED THE SUMMIT OF SUCCESS AFTER MONTHS OF CEASELESS TOIL! BUT AFTER THE FIRST FLUSH OF TRIUMPH, ALL HE CAN THINK OF IS...

SLEEP! I CAN SLEEP AT LAST!



TIME HAS PASSED WITH A STRANGE SWIFTNES! ALREADY THE "SUGGESTER" HAS BEEN DEMONSTRATED TO A CONGRESS OF SCIENTISTS, AND HAS MET WITH ACCLAIM! AND NOW, IN THE OFFICE OF BASCOMBE, THE PROMOTER...

I KNOW YOU'RE NOT INTERESTED IN MONEY FOR YOURSELF, TAYLOR...



BUT JUST THINK OF THE RESEARCH FOUNDATION YOU COULD ESTABLISH WITH THE FIVE MILLION DOLLARS I'M OFFERING FOR THE EXCLUSIVE RIGHTS TO THAT MACHINE OF YOURS!

YOU'RE RIGHT! I'LL SIGN THE PAPERS!



JEFFREY TAYLOR HAS TOILED TOO LONG IN THE NARROW CONFINES OF HIS LABORATORY... HE DOES NOT KNOW THE WAYS OF THE WORLD! AND SO, ONLY AFTER SIGNING THE FATAL DOCUMENT DOES HE THINK TO ASK MISTER BASCOMBE NOW HE INTENDS TO USE THE "SUGGESTER"...

THAT'S MY BUSINESS, TAYLOR... NOBODY ELSE'S BUT MINE!



AS SOON AS THE SCIENTIST LEAVES, BASCOMBE SETS THE LITTLE BLACK BOX ON THE LEDGE OF HIS OFFICE WINDOW AND FOCUSES IT ON A PASSERBY IN THE STREET...

I WANT TO BUY A JUPITER! I WANT TO BUY A JUPITER!



AND THAT IS ONLY THE BEGINNING! BASCOMBE, WHO IS AN UNSCRUPULOUS PROMOTER, STAYS AT THE WINDOW ABOVE THE TEEMING STREET, ALL DAY, EVERY DAY, FOR WEEK AFTER WEEK...

I WANT TO BUY A JUPITER... I WANT TO BUY A JUPITER!



...AND NO ONE CAN RESIST THE LITTLE BLACK BOX!

I WANT TO BUY A JUPITER!

I WAS HERE FIRST!

HERE'S MY MONEY!



WHEN JEFFREY TAYLOR HEARS OF THE INFAMOUS SALES CAMPAIGN, HE RUSHES TO BASCOMBE'S OFFICE TO PROTEST...

SURE THOSE JUPITERS ARE OVERPRICED LEMONS! THEY WERE WITHDRAWN FROM THE MARKET LAST YEAR, AND I BOUGHT UP THE FACTORY AND ALL THE STOCK FOR A BONG! BUT NOW THEY'RE SELLING LIKE HOTCAKES, THANKS TO THE LITTLE BLACK BOX! OH, THERE GOES MY PHONE...

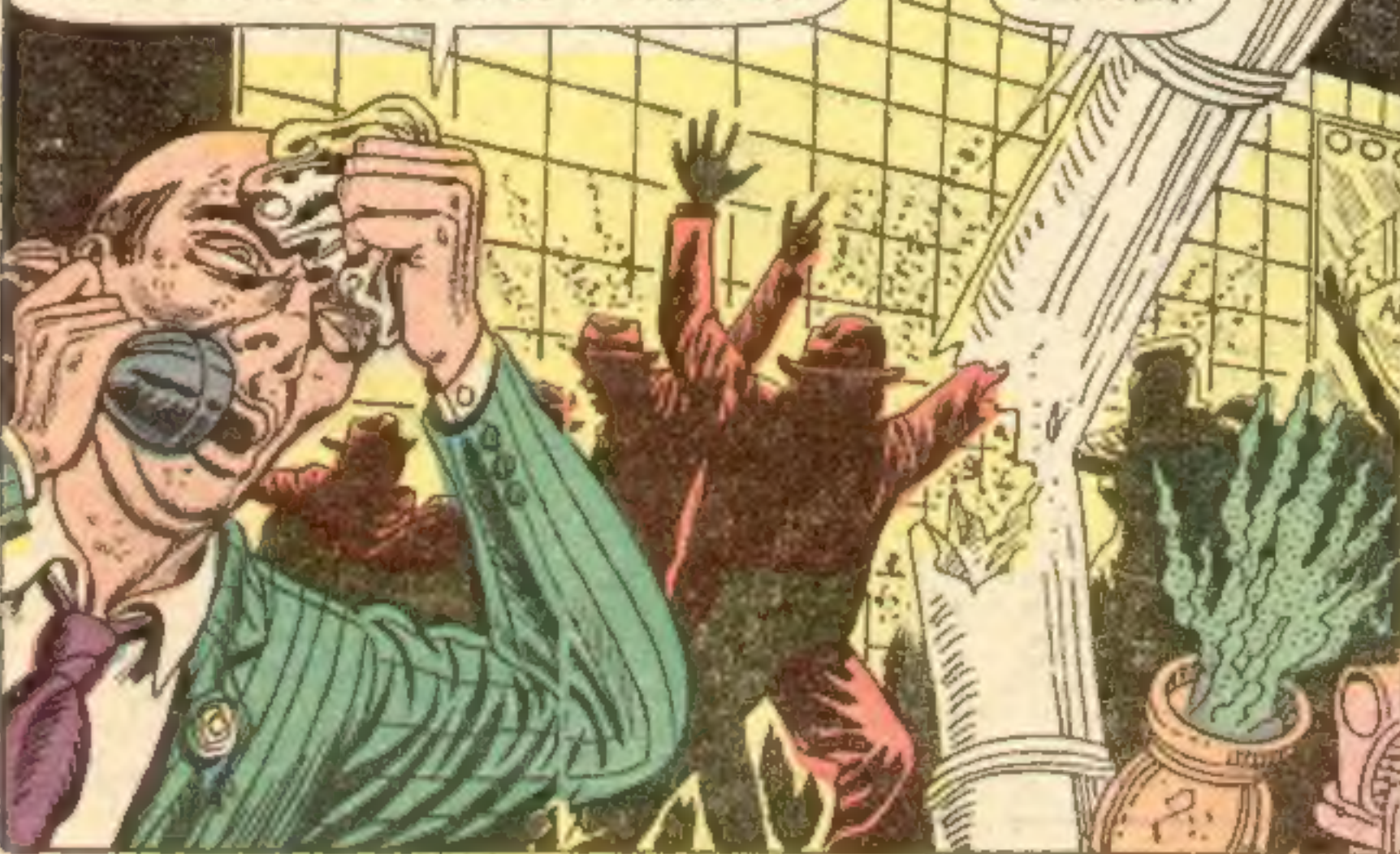


WHAT'S THAT? ALL THE JUPITERS HAVE BEEN SOLD? WHAT ABOUT THE NEW DELIVERIES? I'VE ORDERED THE FACTORY TO GO INTO FULL PRODUCTION!



BUT PRODUCTION CAN'T KEEP UP WITH THE DEMAND, MR. BASCOMBE! AND THE PEOPLE KEEP POURING IN! THEY WON'T TAKE NO FOR AN ANSWER! THEY'VE STARTED TO WRECK THE AGENCY!

I WANT TO BUY A JUPITER! I WANT TO BUY A JUPITER!



LATER... THAT'S THE TWELFTH AGENCY THAT'S BEEN TORN APART TODAY! TAYLOR, THIS THING'S BLOWN UP IN MY FACE! YOU'VE GOT TO HELP ME... YOU HAVE TO STOP THEM FROM WANTING TO BUY A JUPITER!



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AMAZING PRECISION MINIATURE SECRET CAMERA

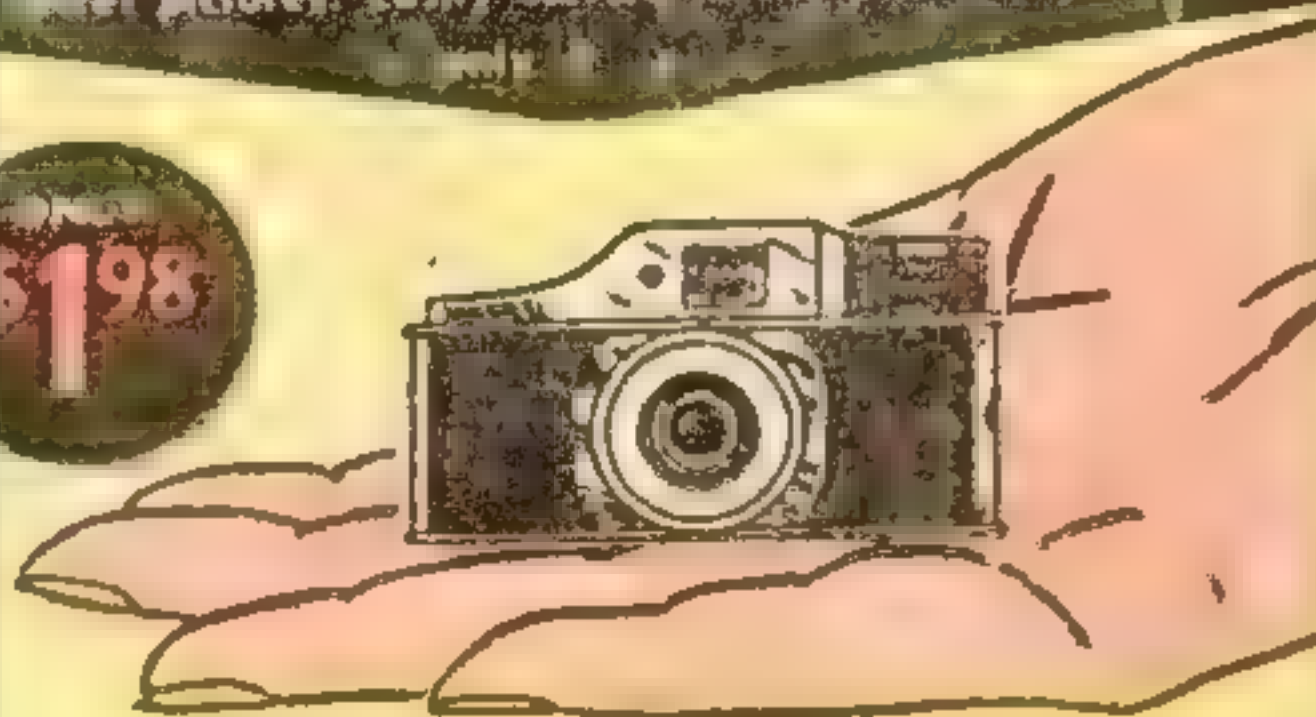


Easily concealed under a flower in your lapel. While they're kissing, you're photographing 'em! Won't they be surprised? So many other ways to conceal also.



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This is the newest, most sensational action toy out and we're so sure that you will be delighted, that we offer a full 10 day Free Trial. If you are not 100% satisfied simply return for full refund. You risk nothing. We know you're going to be delighted so we make this amazing offer.

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- Complete 21 piece task force consisting of:
 - 10 infantrymen
 - 10 jet planes
 - 10 tanks
 - 10 bombers
 - 10 gunners
 - 10 riflemen
 - 10 trucks
 - 10 space ships
 - 10 full supply of BBs

\$1.00

THE JOB NOW IS TO NULLIFY THE SUGGESTION IMPLANTED BY HIS INVENTION! TAYLOR WORKS FEVERISHLY!



BUT WORD HAS LEAKED OUT THAT HE IS THE ONE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE INSATIABLE CRAVING THAT KEEPS TORMENTING SO MANY PEOPLE! AND SO...

HE'S IN THERE!



GET HIM!

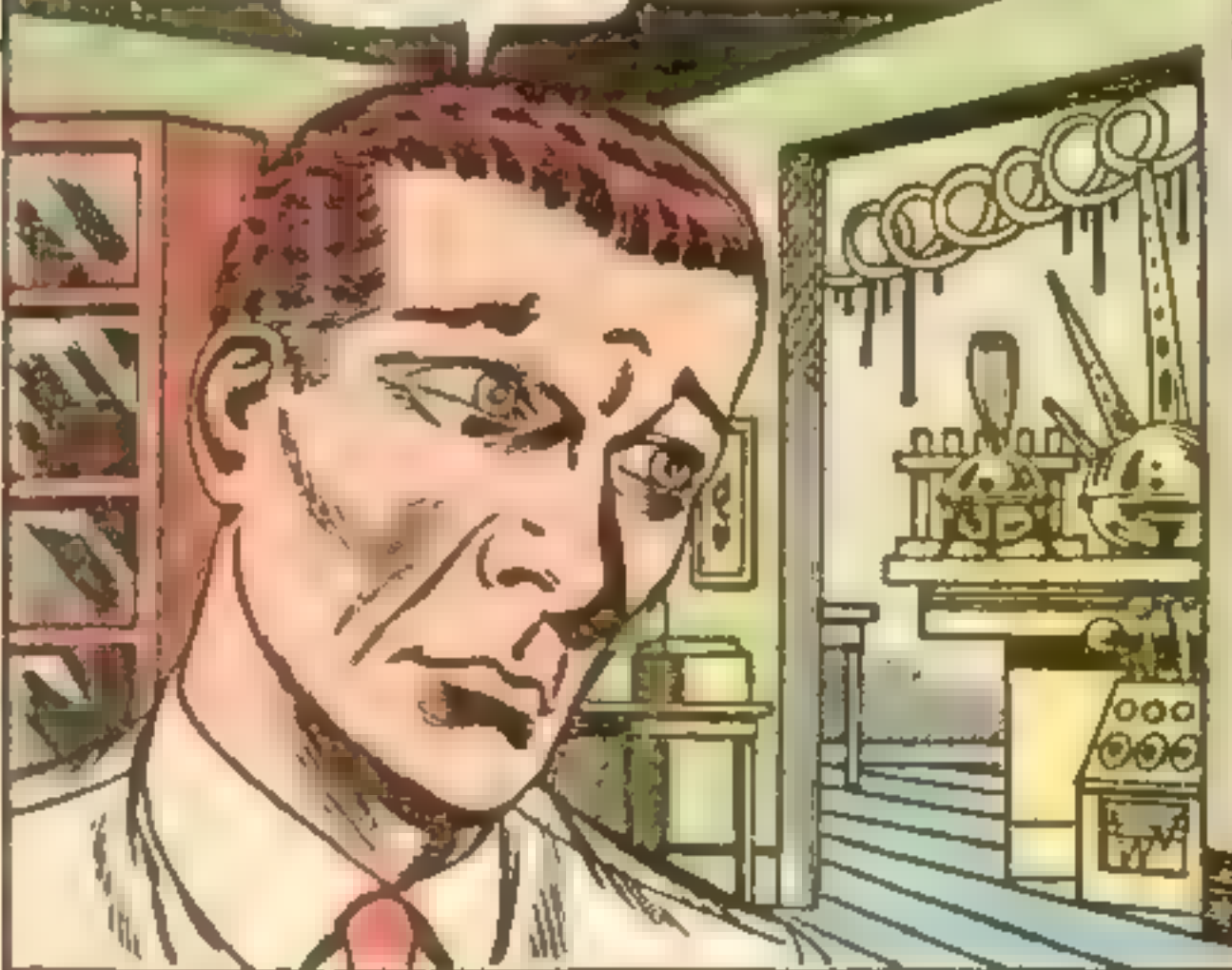
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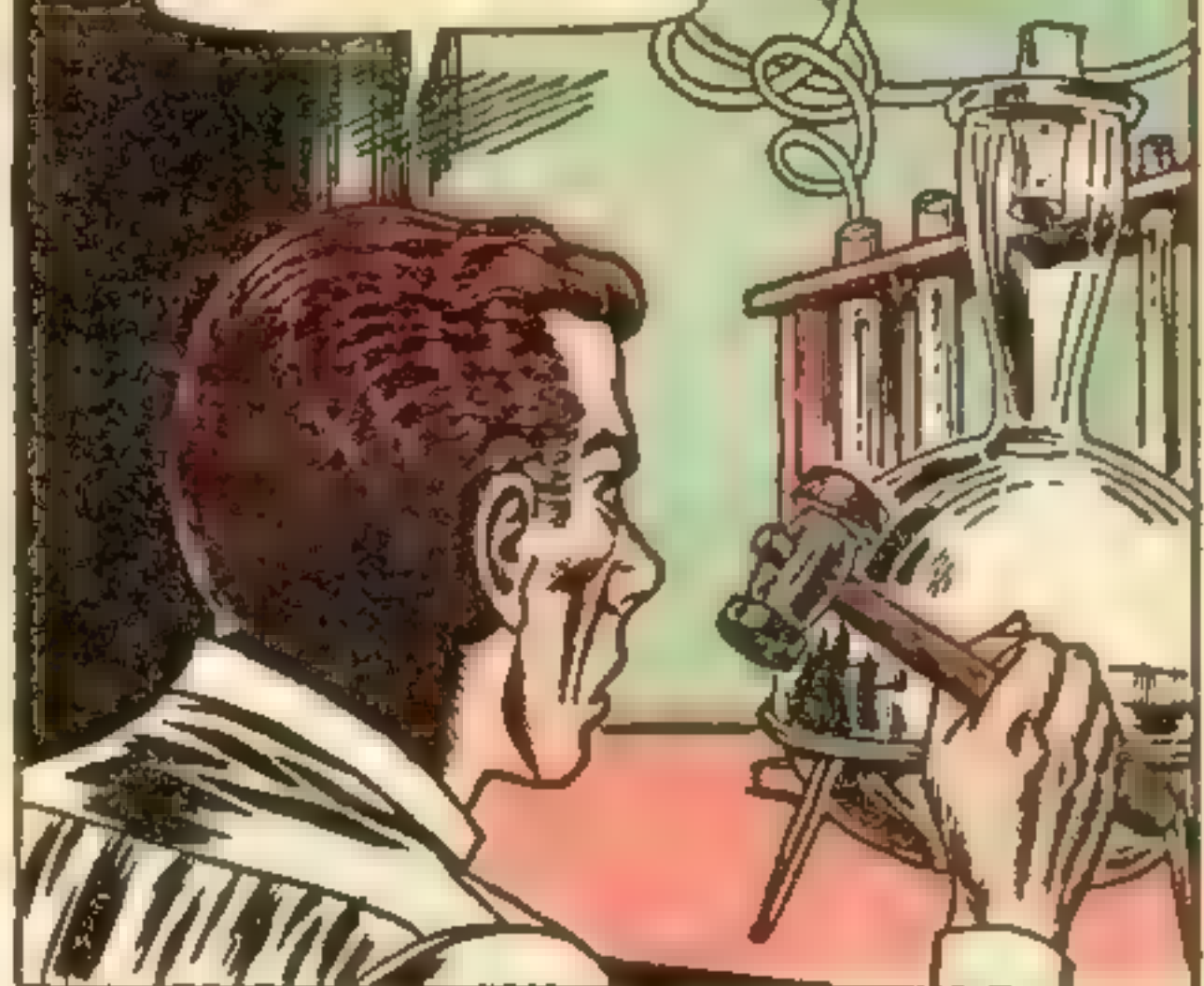
...NO!



WHEW... WHAT A NIGHTMARE! I MUST'VE FALLEN ASLEEP RIGHT AFTER THE TEST! BUT I'M GLAD I HAD THAT DREAM... NOW I KNOW HOW DANGEROUS THAT "SUGGESTER" IS... AND I KNOW ENOUGH TO DESTROY IT!



THE BOX... IT'S GONE... STOLEN! WHAT IF IT FELL INTO THE WRONG HANDS? NO... THAT'S IMPOSSIBLE! I WORKED ON IT IN SECRET... NOBODY ELSE COULD KNOW HOW TO USE IT!

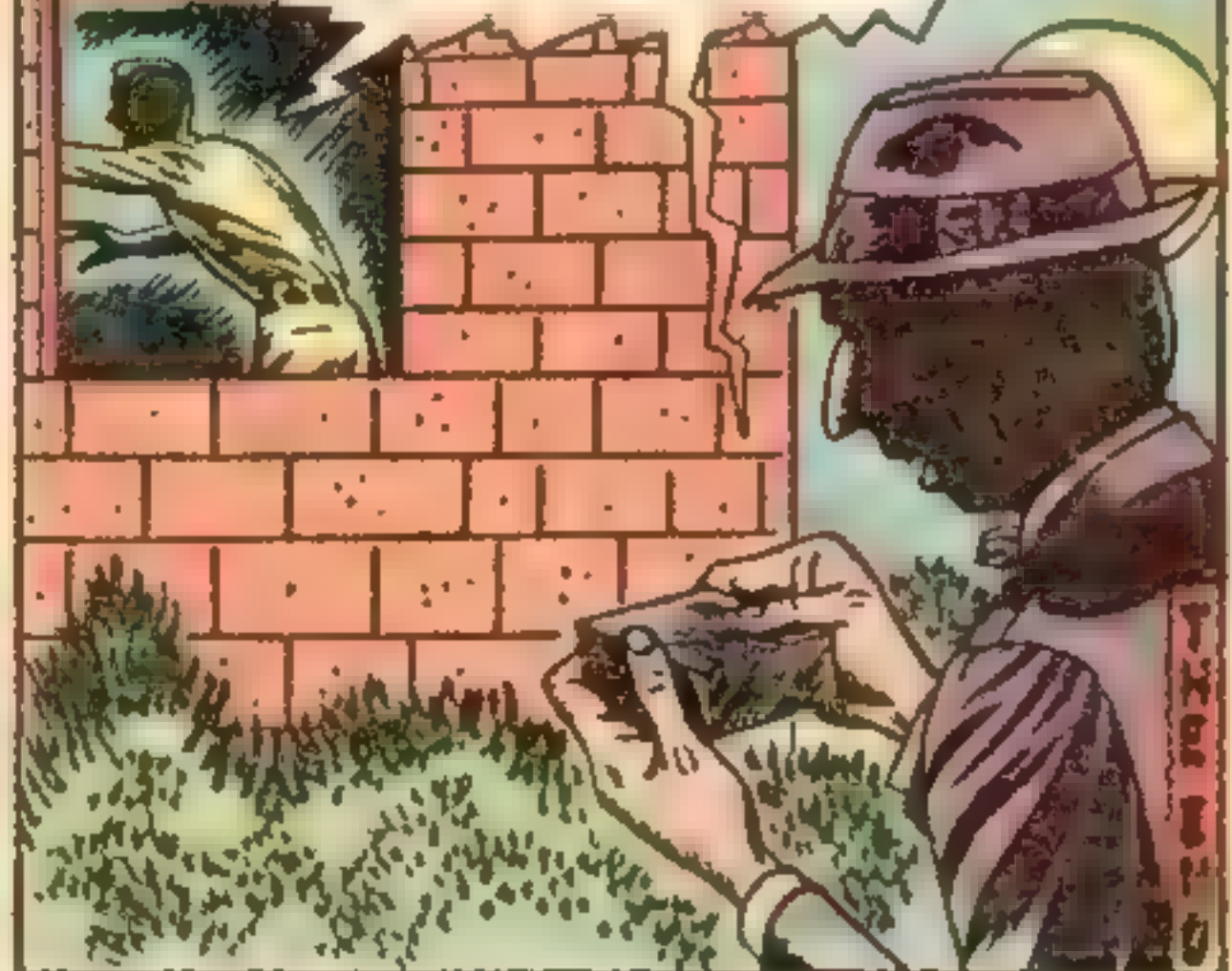


BUT SUDDENLY, JEFFREY TAYLOR IS ALARMED! FOR HE HEARS A VOICE INTONING INSIDE OF HIM... A VOICE THAT TELLS HIM THAT THE **LITTLE BLACK BOX HAS** FALLEN INTO THE WRONG HANDS... OF SOMEONE WHO **KNOWS ITS POWERS!**



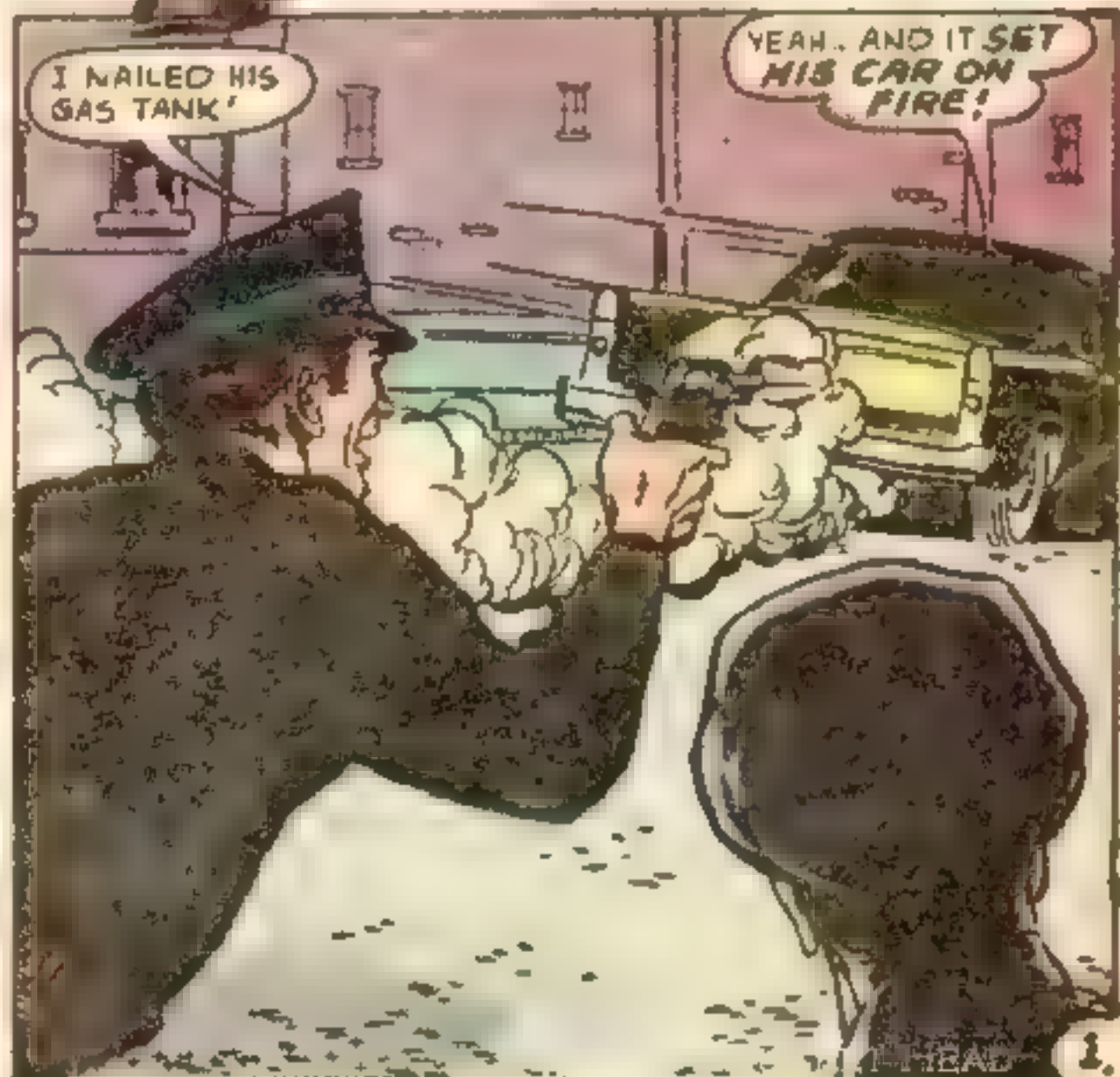
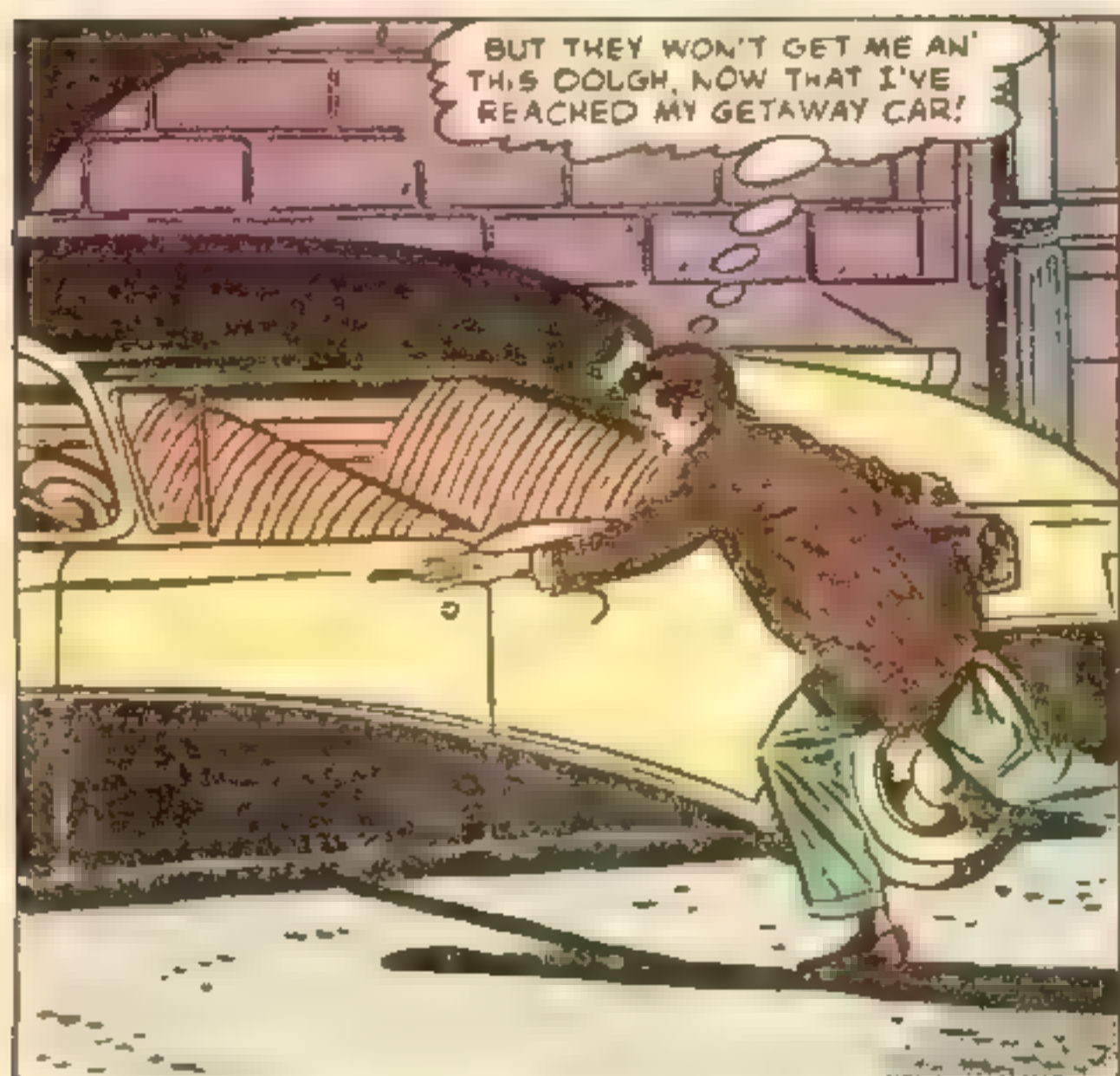
... A VOICE THAT SENDS HIM LURCHING TOWARD THE DOOR, PROPELLED BY AN UNCONTROLLABLE DESIRE!

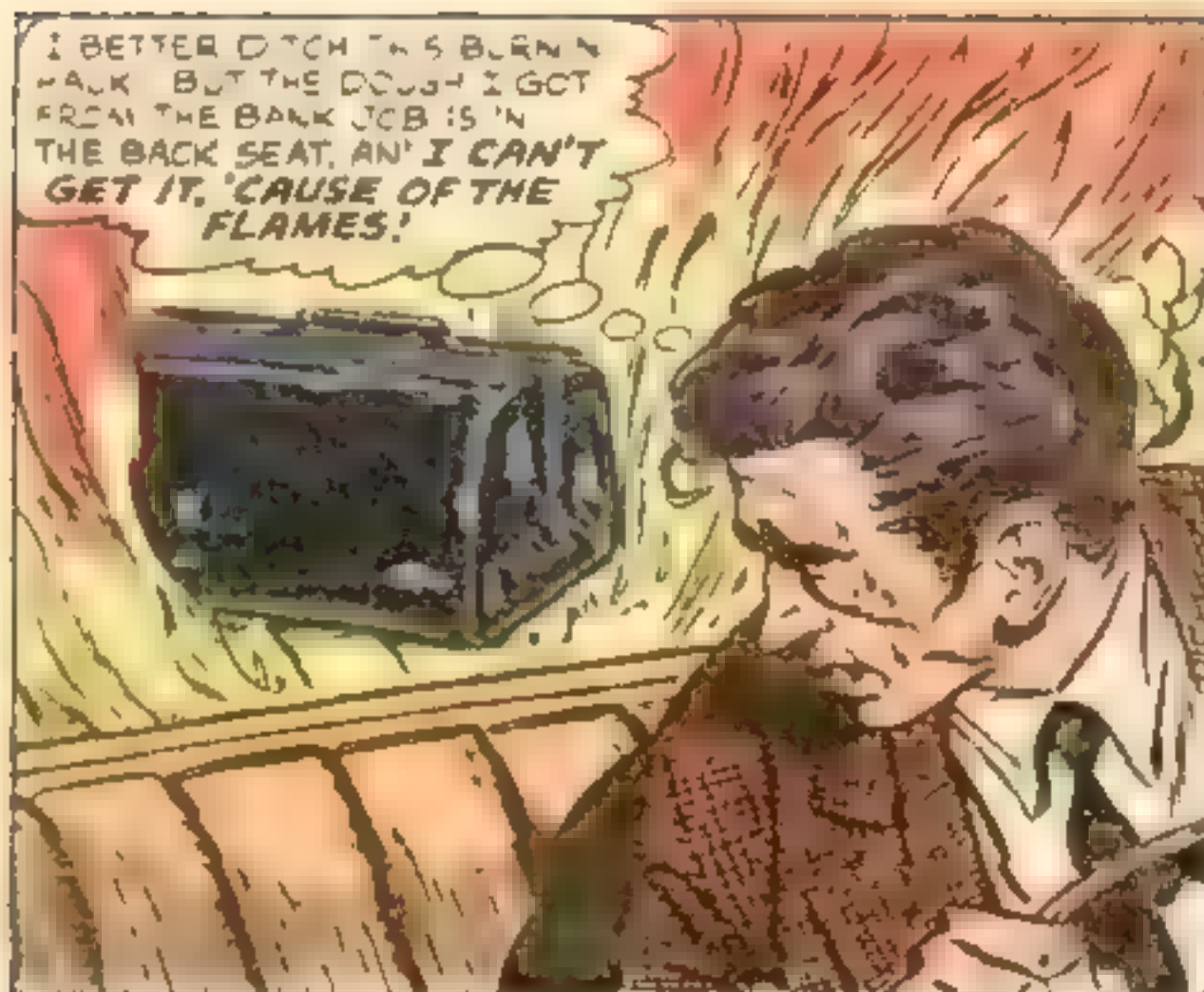
I WANT TO BUY A NEO... I WANT TO BUY A NEO!



THIS TALE OF MYSTERY BEGINS ON A DARK, MOONLESS NIGHT IN A LARGE EASTERN CITY! THERE IS A ROBBERY... THERE IS A LOT OF SHOOTING... AND THERE IS "WEASEL" WATSON FIGHTING FOR HIS LIFE WITH THE GUARDS OF THE BANK HE HAD JUST ROBBED!

DRAWINGS of DOOM!

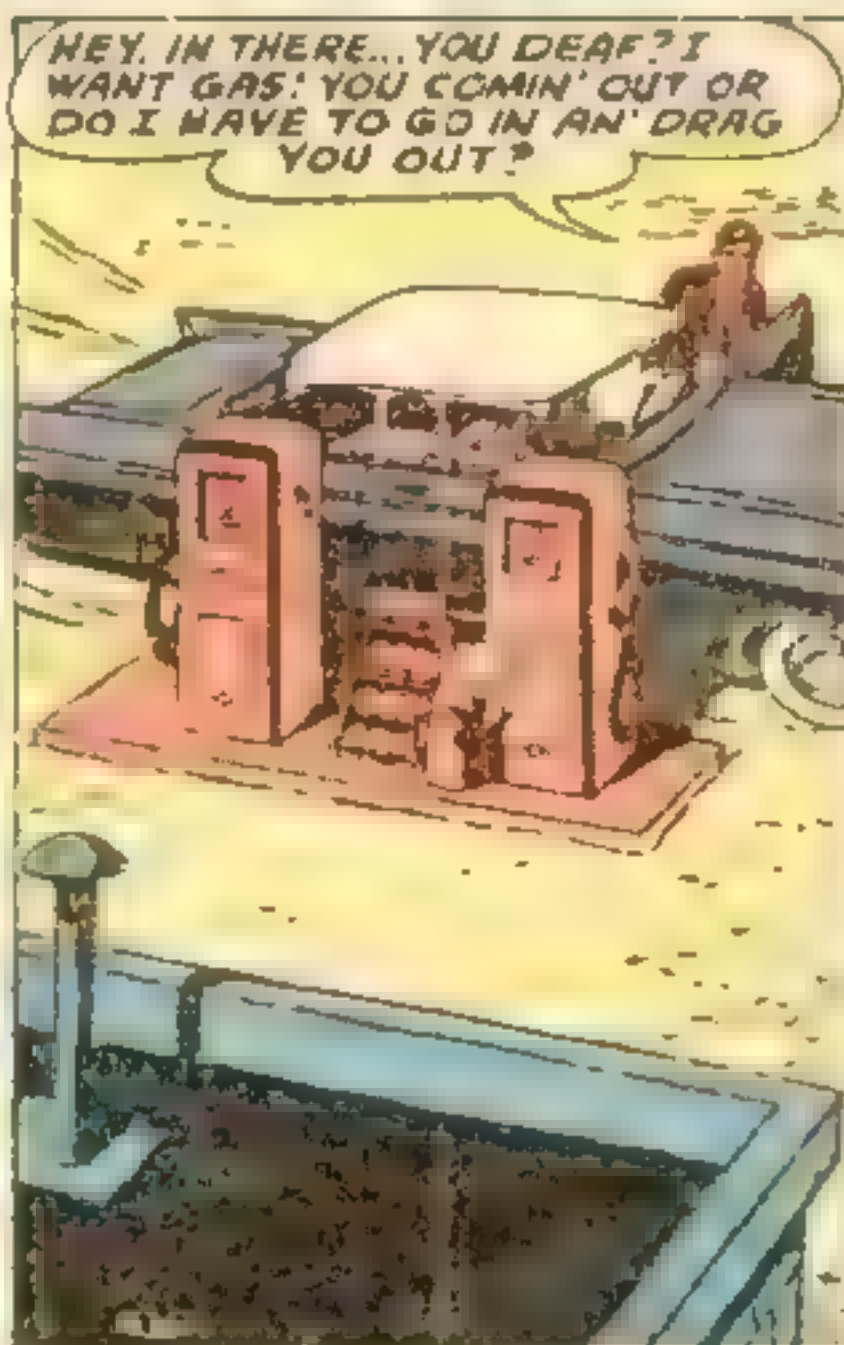
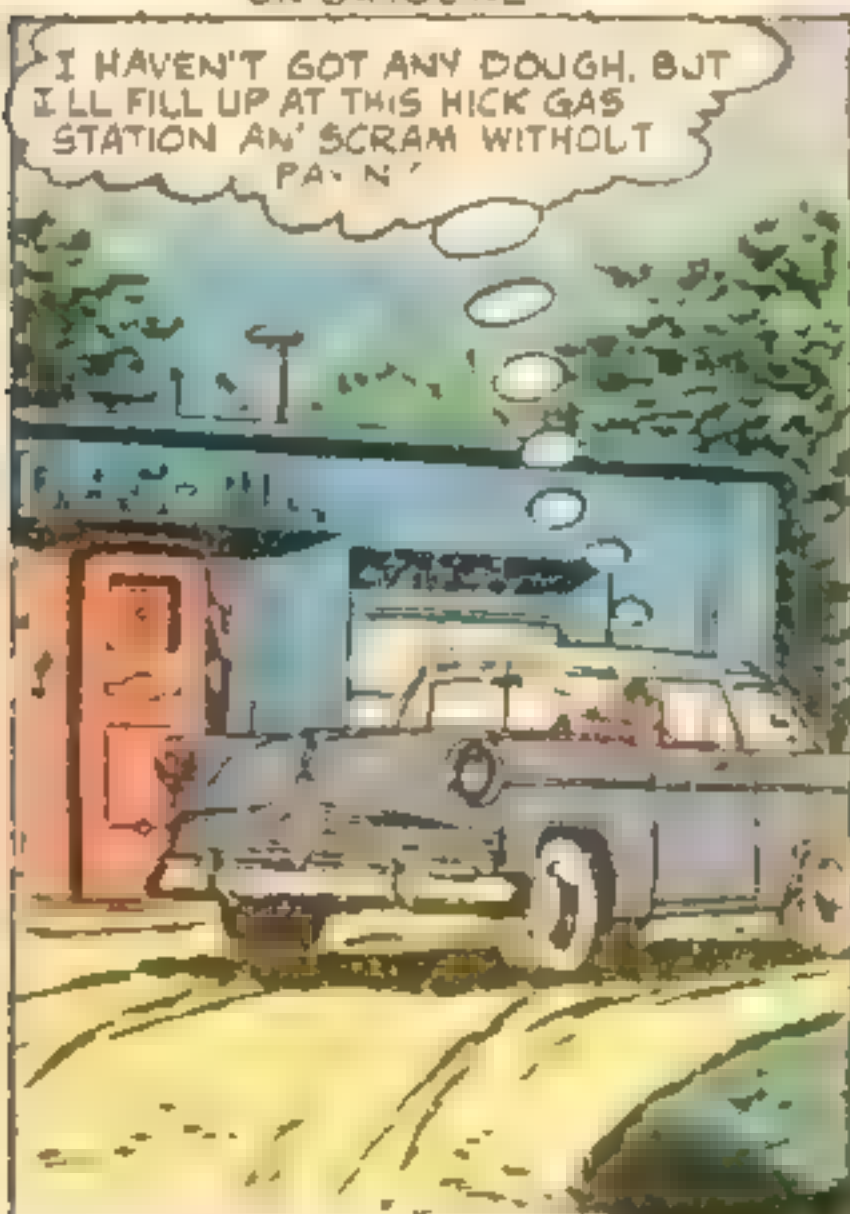




"WEASEL" SQUEEZES INTO AN ALLEY SQUEEZED TIGHTLY BETWEEN TALL BUILDINGS. HE FLEES LIKE THE ANIMAL HE WAS NAMED FOR.

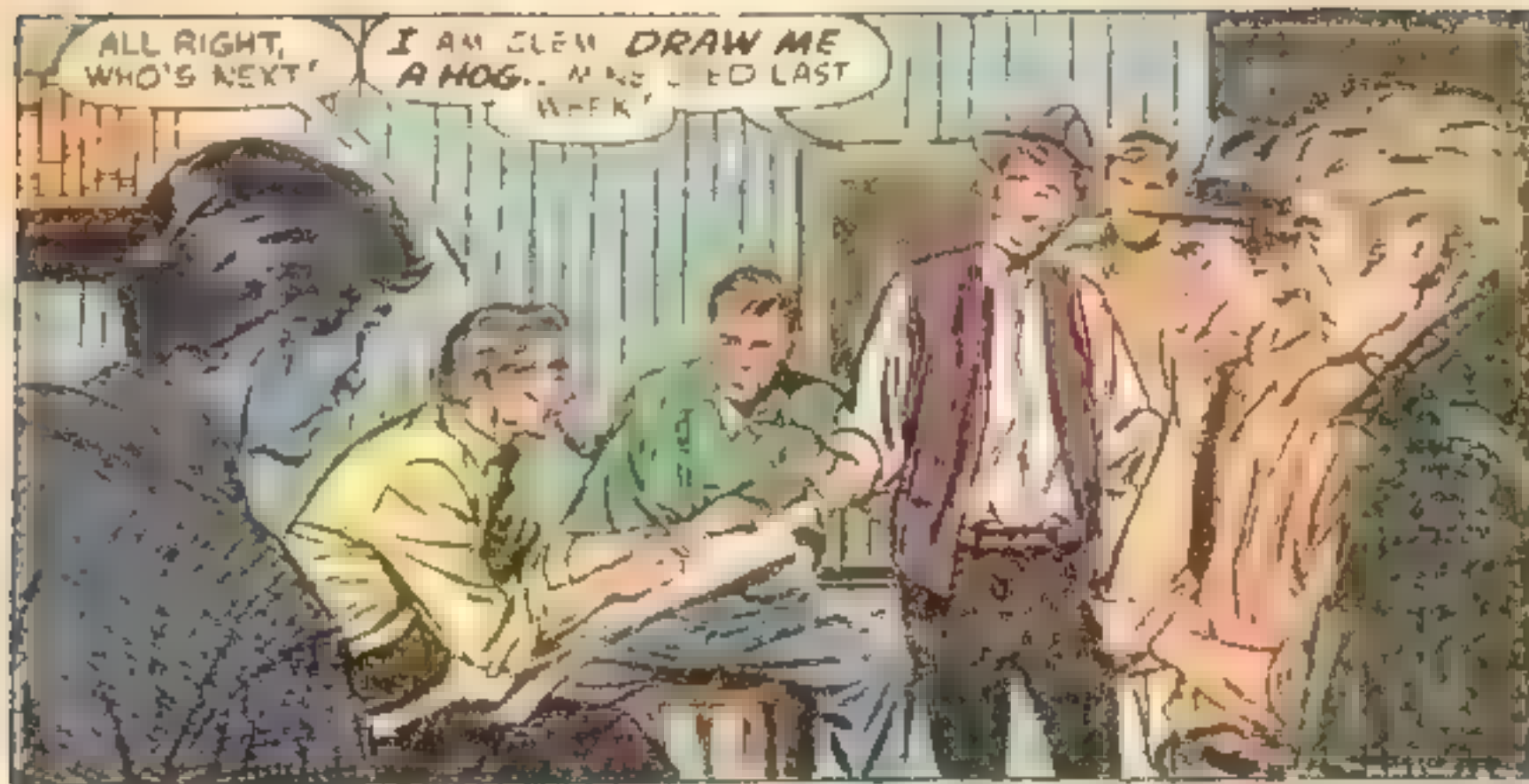


"WEASEL" BURNS UP THE ROAD ALL NIGHT AND WHEN MORNING COMES, HE IS LOW ON GASOLINE.



BUT WHEN **"WEASEL"** OPENED THE DOOR, HIS ANGER TURNED INTO SHOCKED AMAZEMENT AT WHAT HE SAW INSIDE.





ALL RIGHT, WHO'S NEXT?

I AM CLEM. DRAW ME A HOG... I'VE USED LAST WEEK.

AND AS SOON AS THE DRAWING IS FINISHED, A LIVE DUPLICATE APPEARS BEFORE THE MAN WHO REQUESTED THE DRAWING!



THERE'S YOUR HOG JOE!

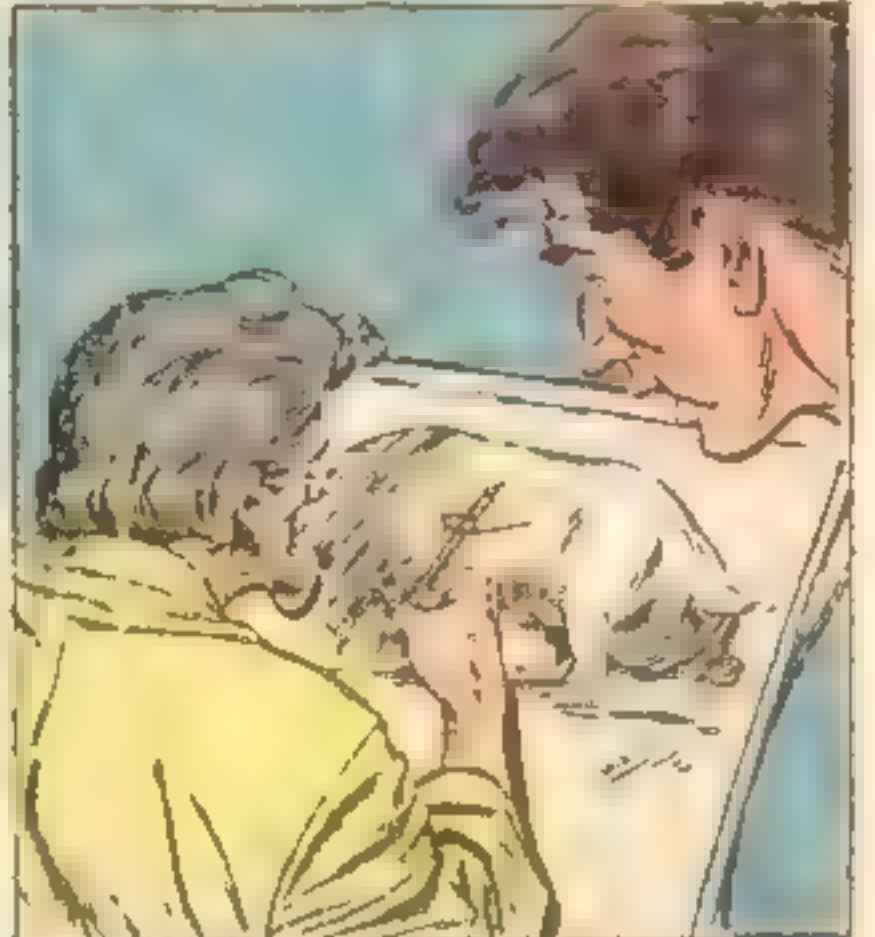
THANKS CLEM!



WHO'S NEXT?

MY CORN CROP AIN'T GOIN' TO AMOUNT TO NOTHIN, IF IT DON'T GET SOME RAIN CLEM! I'D BE MIGHTY OBLIGED IF YOU'D DRAW ME A SPECK OF RAIN FOR MY CORN!

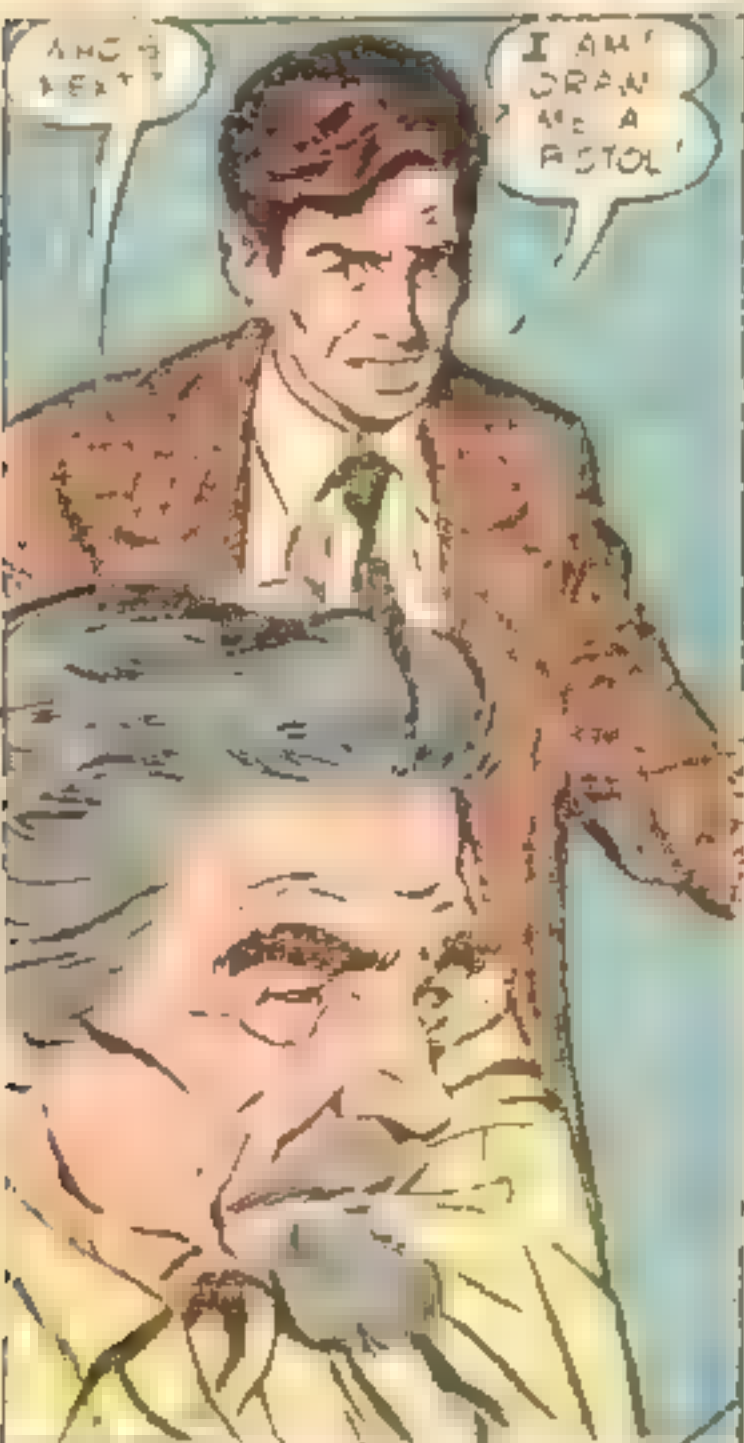
WEASEL MOVES CLOSER AND WATCHES THE OLD MAN'S FINGER SKETCH A HOG ON HIS DRAWING PAPER...



THE MAN CALLED CLEM DRAWS THE RAIN AND THRU A WINDOW, "WEASEL" IS ASTOUNDED TO SEE RAIN FALL FROM A CLOUDLESS SKY OVER A CORN-FIELD!



THAT LL DO T CLEM! MUCH OBL GED!



WHO'S NEXT?

I AM! DRAW ME A PISTOL!



THERE IT IS! WHO'S NEXT?

I AM!



THAT'S WHAT YOU SA BUT THIS SAYS DIFFERENT! I WANT TO CHANGE MY APPEARANCE! DRAW ME AS A BIG HANDSOME GUY QUICK!

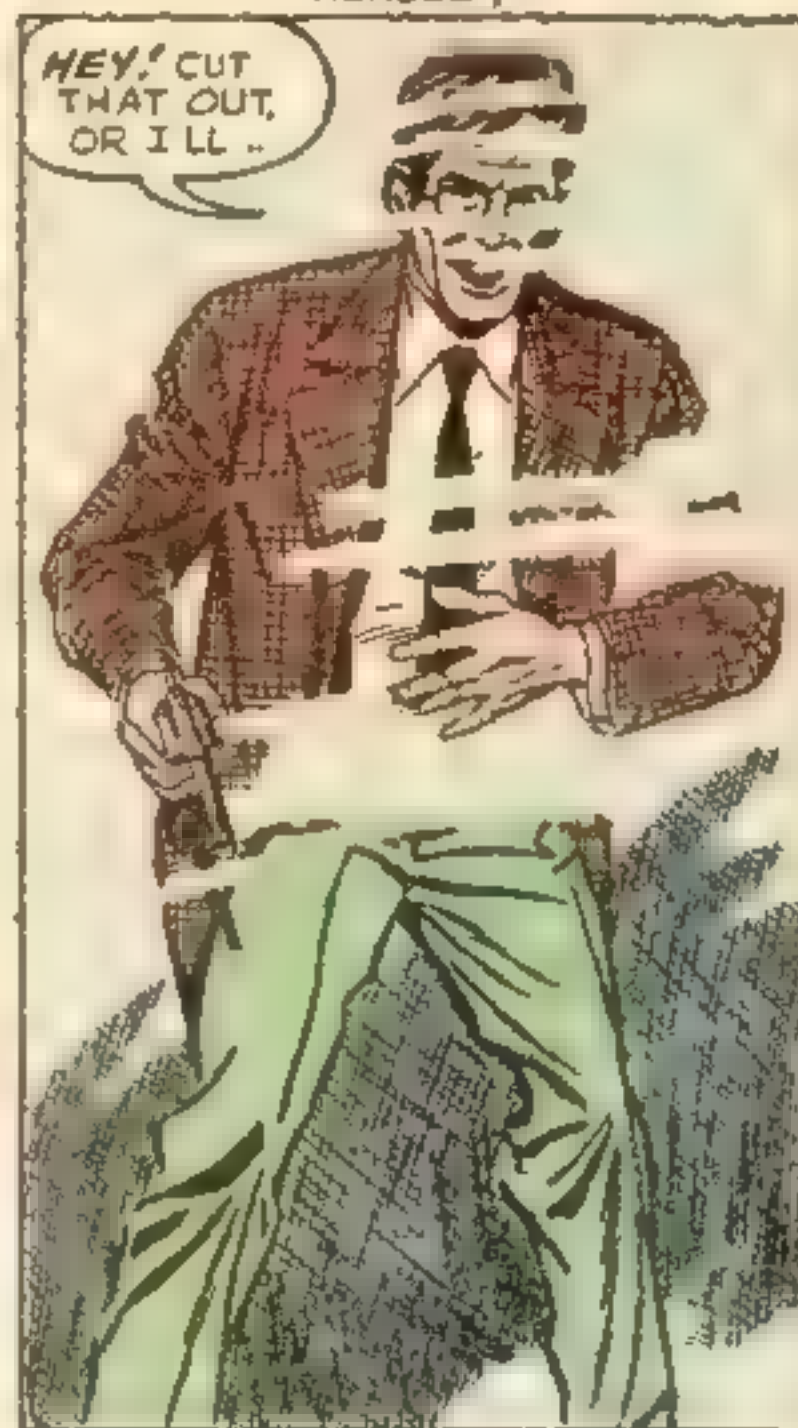
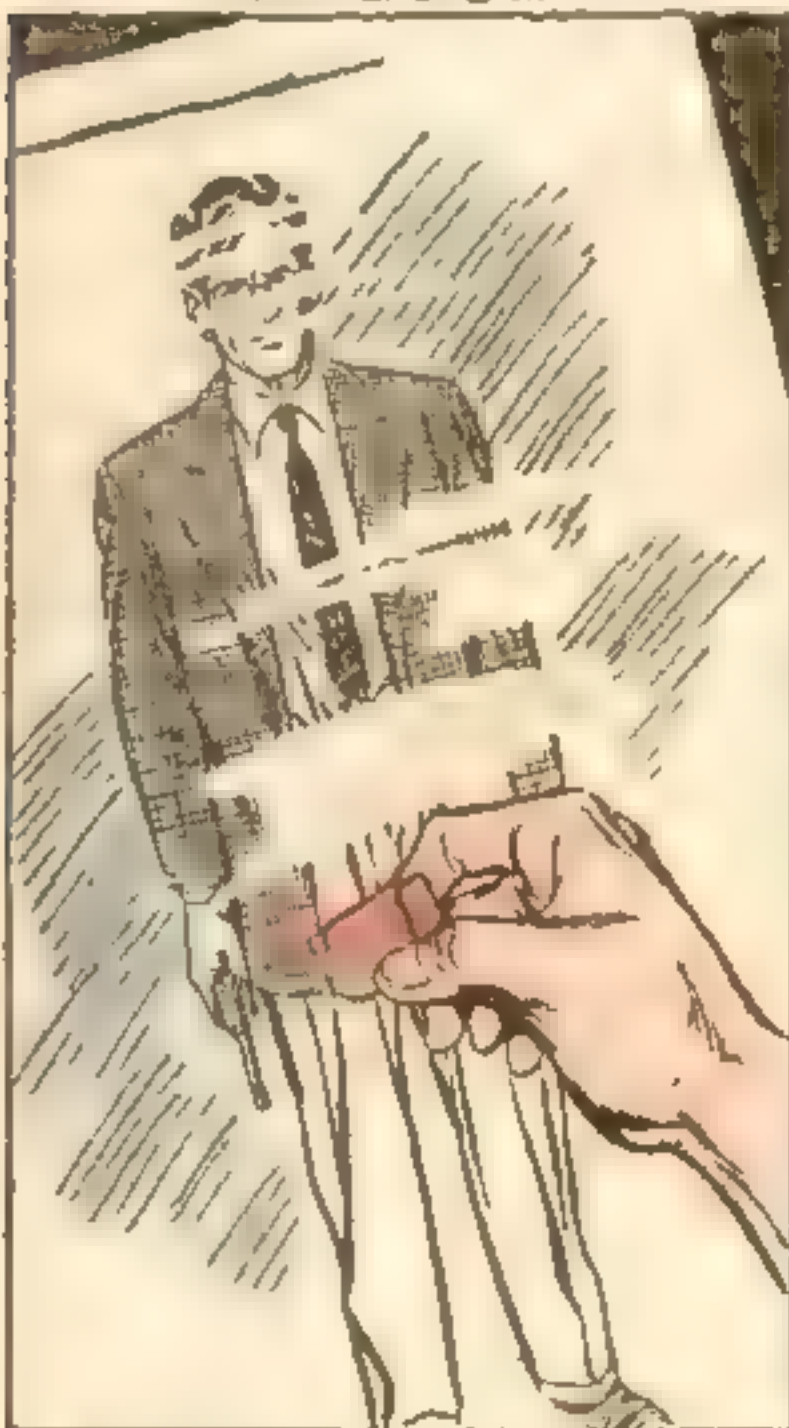
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CLEM PICKS UP THE ERASER AND QUICKLY RUBS IT OVER HIS DRAWING OF "WEASEL"...

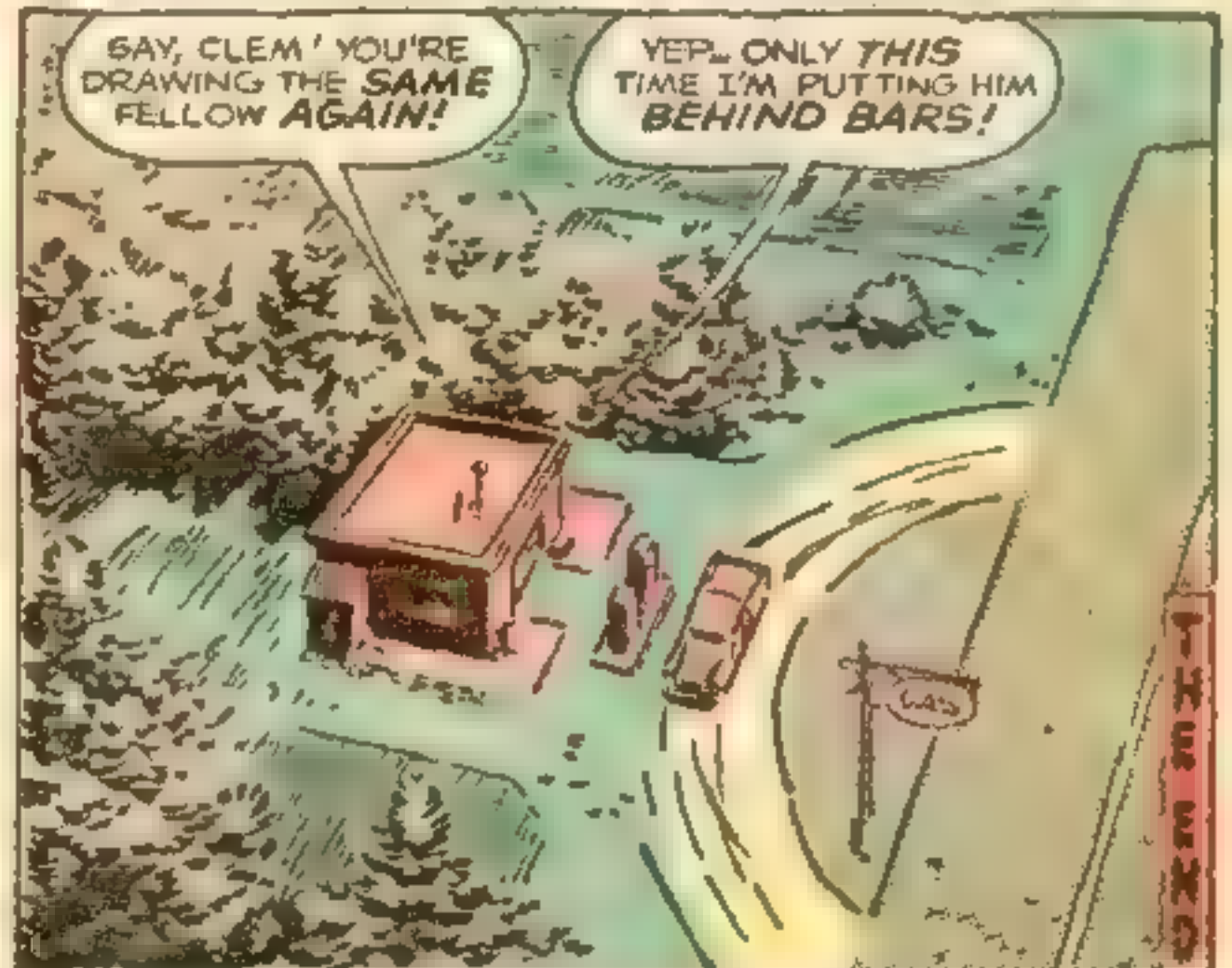
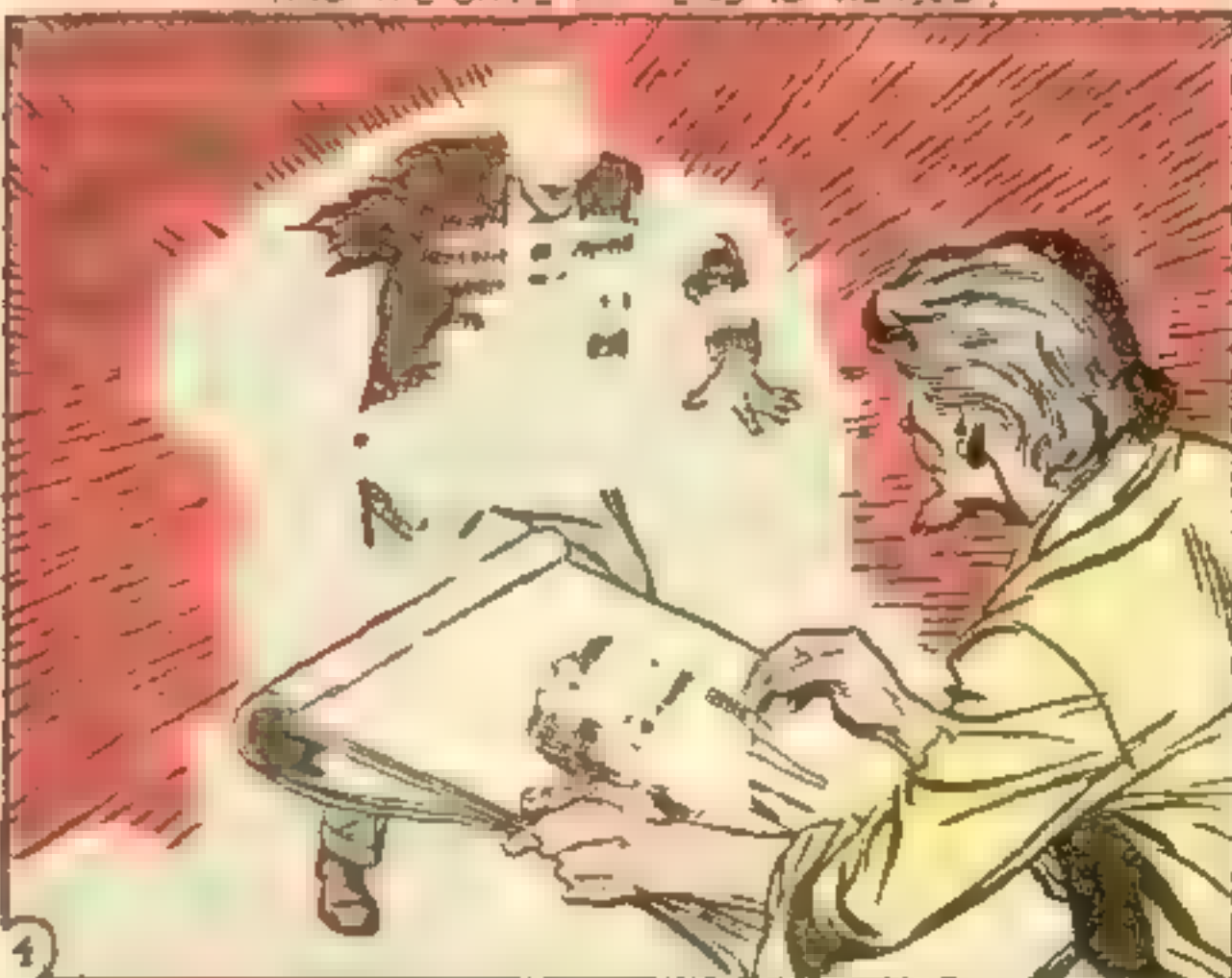
AND WHAT HAPPENS TO THE DRAWING **ALSO** IMMEDIATELY HAPPENS TO "WEASEL"!

BUT BEFORE "WEASEL" CAN FIRE, CLEM ERASES THE GUN!



BUT BY B.T. THE DRAWING DISAPPEARS UNDER CLEM'S ERASER... AND THE SAME HAPPENS TO "WEASEL"!

THEN CLEM SHARPENS HIS PENCIL AND RESUMES DRAWING...



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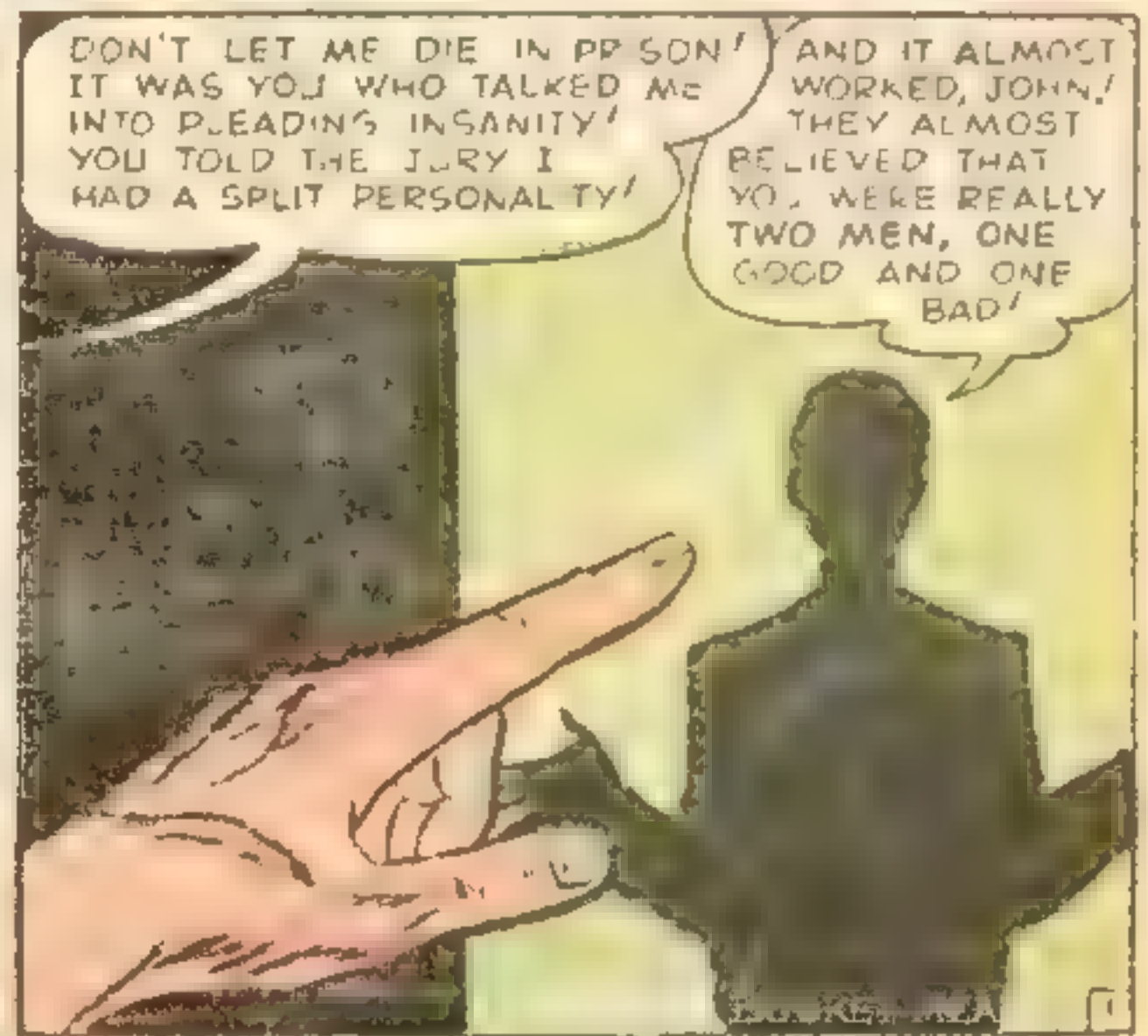
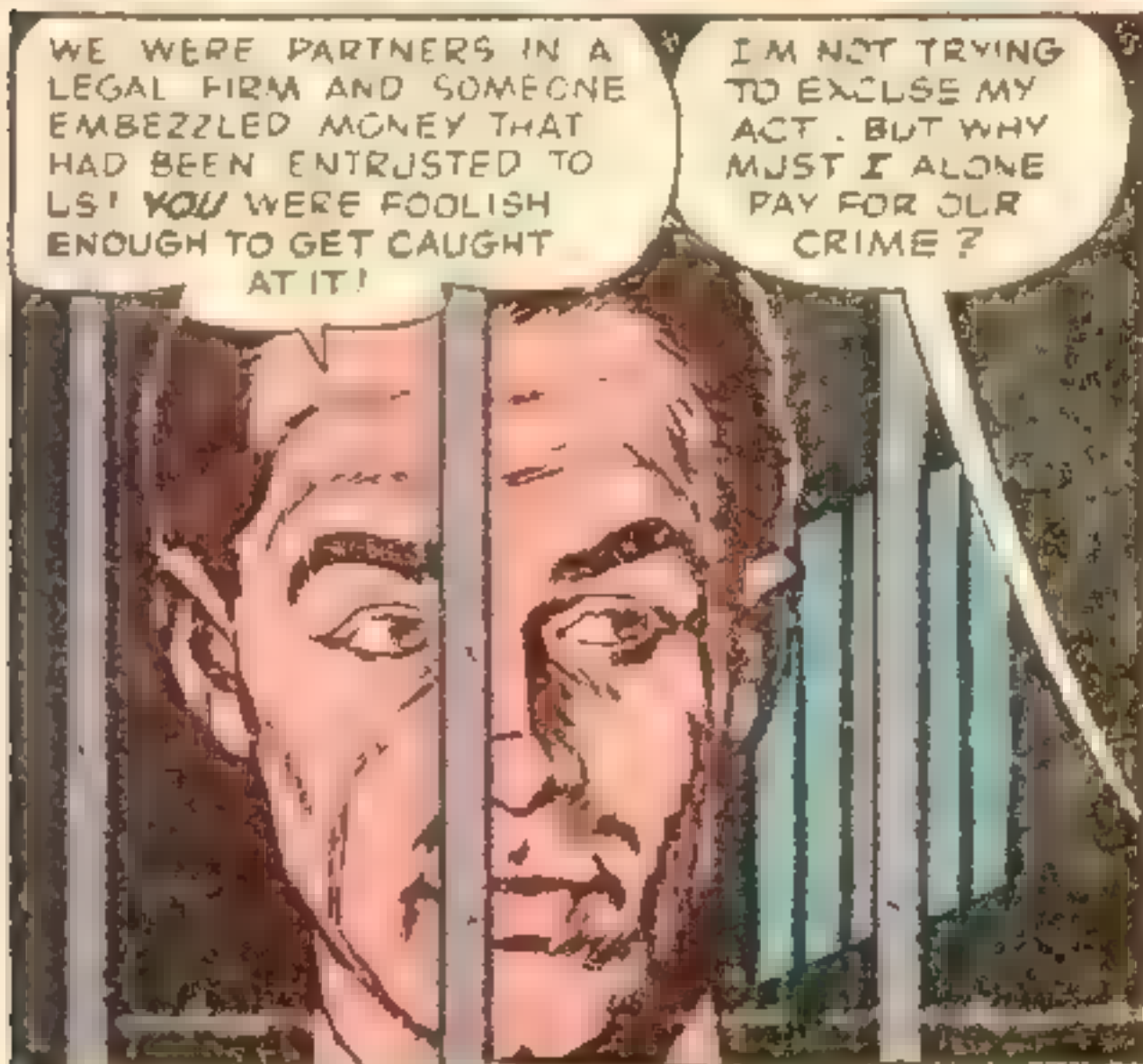
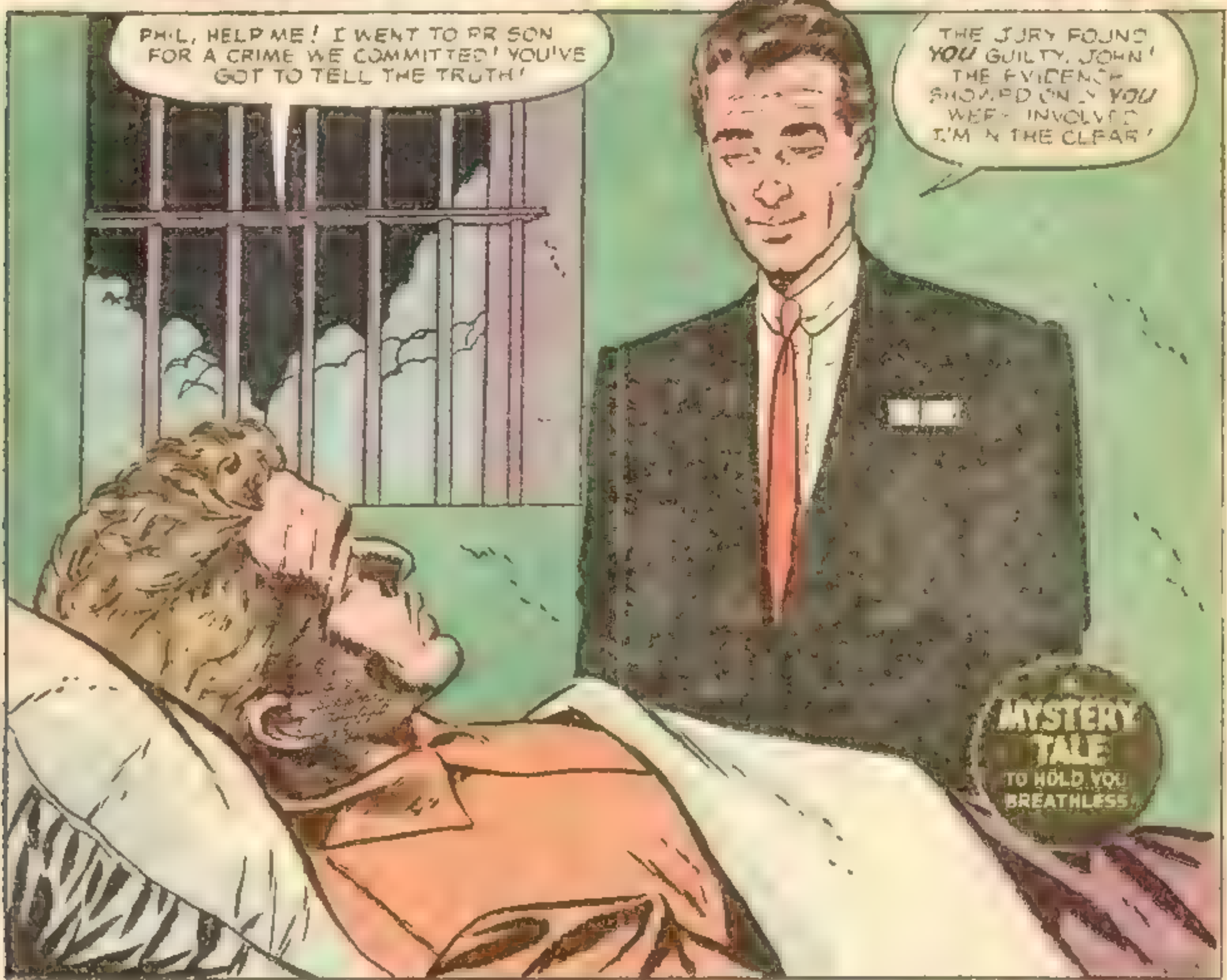
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WHEN EMERY DIED, MASON WOULD BE SAFE FOREVER! THAT WAS WHAT MASON THOUGHT. DEAD MEN TELL NO TALES! BUT MASON HIMSELF HAD NAMED EMERY

THE MAN WITH TWO LIVES!





I DIDN'T WANT YOU TO GO TO PRISON, BUT I COULD HARDLY ADMIT WHAT HAD REALLY HAPPENED THAT I WAS EQUALLY GUILTY!

SO YOU SACRIFICED ME, INSTEAD! I'M TO PAY FOR BOTH OF US!



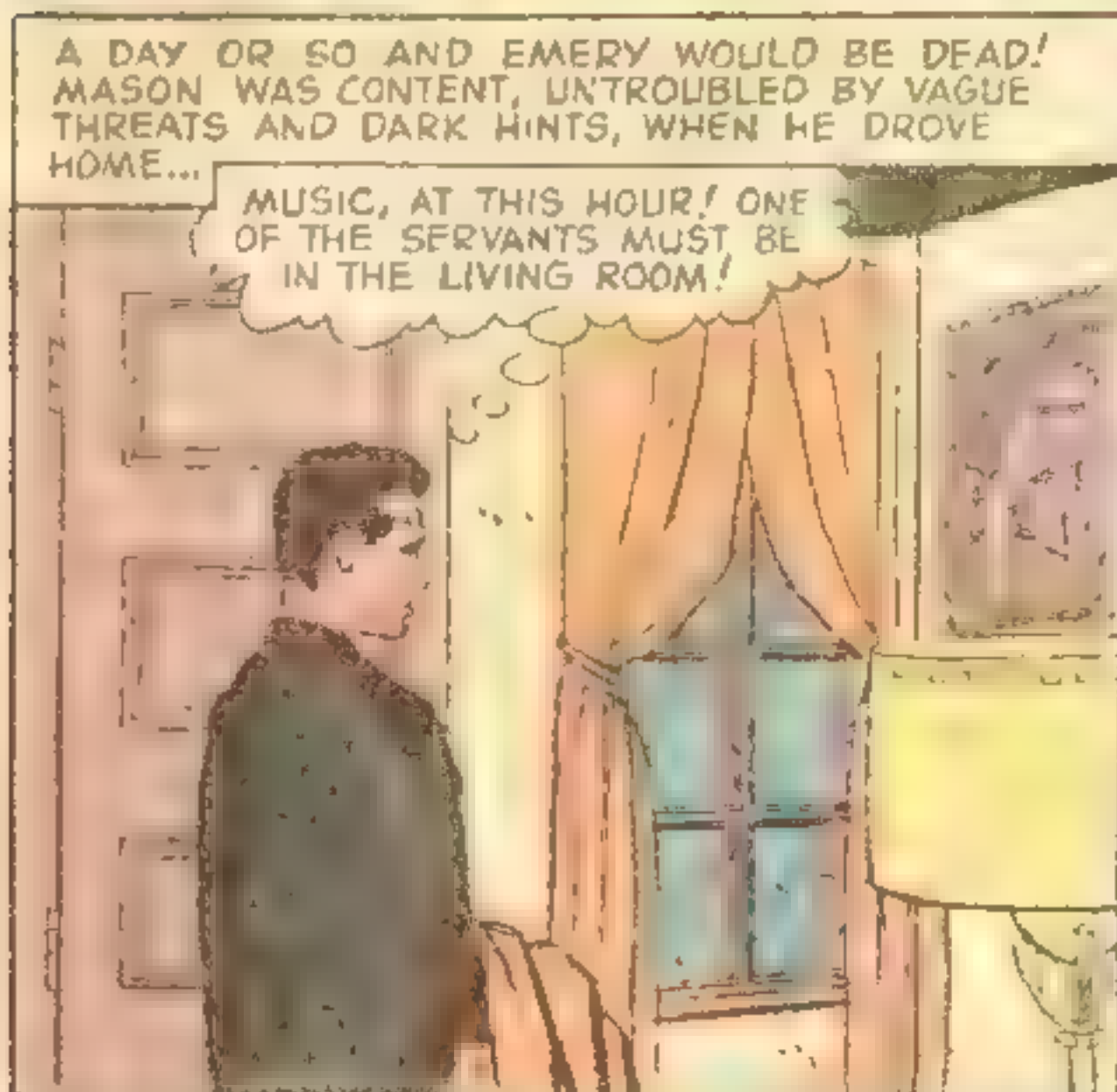
BUT I WON'T DIE IN DISGRACE! IF I DO, I'LL FIND SOME WAY TO PAY YOU BACK! I WARN YOU!

YOU FORGET, JOHN.. YOU WERE CONVICTED, NOT I! IF I'D KNOWN THIS WAS WHY YOU SENT FOR ME, I'D NEVER HAVE COME!



NO! PHIL, WAIT! YOU'VE GOT TO TELL THE TRUTH! IF YOU DON'T,

IF I DON'T, THEN WHAT? SAVE YOUR THREATS! I'VE LOOKED AFTER MY OWN SKIN FOR A LONG TIME! GOOD-BYE, JOHN!



A DAY OR SO AND EMERY WOULD BE DEAD! MASON WAS CONTENT, UNTRoubLED BY VAGUE THREATS AND DARK HINTS, WHEN HE DROVE HOME...

MUSIC, AT THIS HOUR! ONE OF THE SERVANTS MUST BE IN THE LIVING ROOM!



WELL! YOU MAKE YOURSELF RIGHT AT HOME, DON'T YOU? JUST WHO ARE YOU? AND WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?

JUST WAITING FOR YOU! YOUR FRONT DOOR WAS OPEN! I THOUGHT WE MIGHT HAVE A LITTLE TALK...

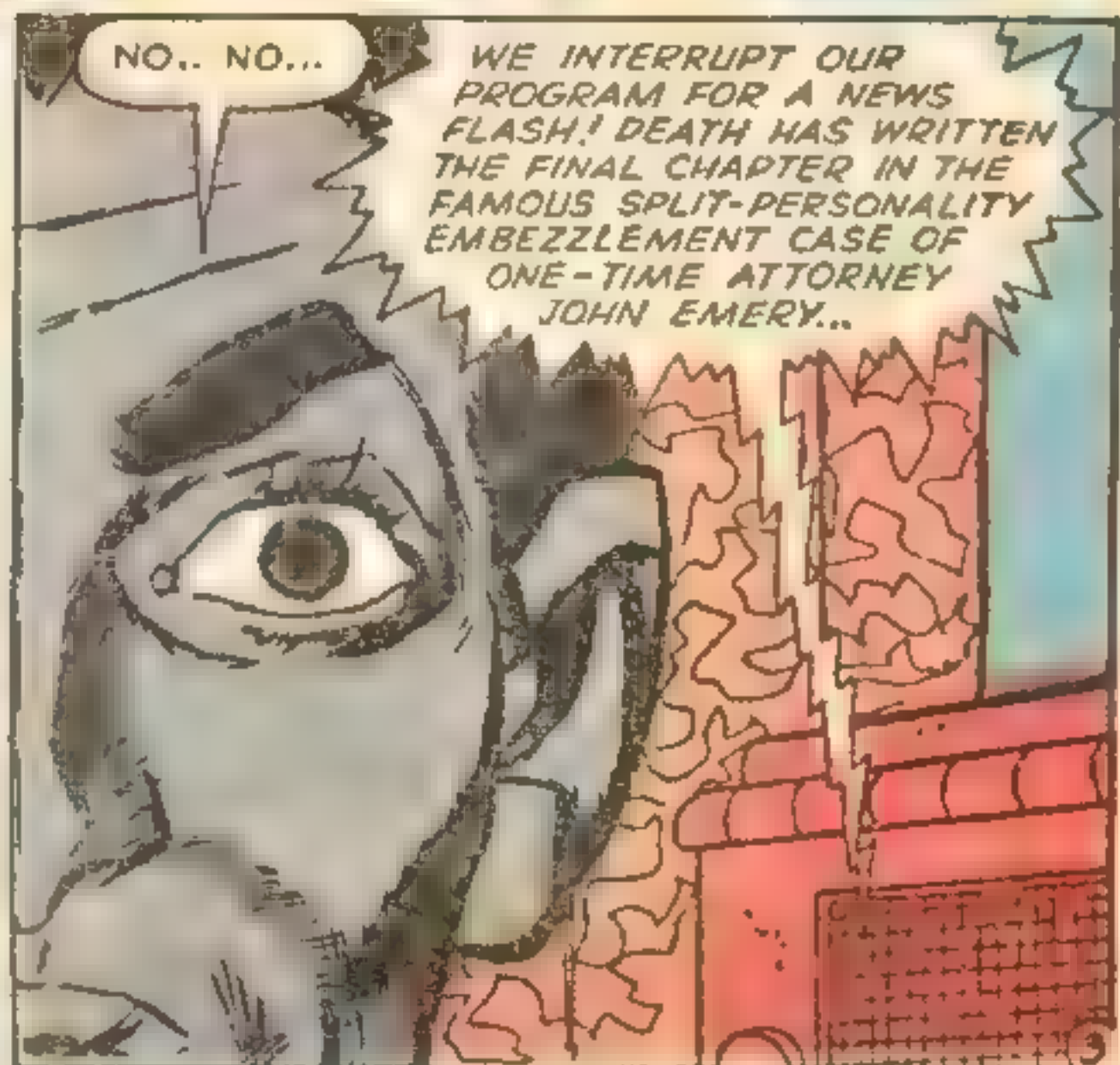
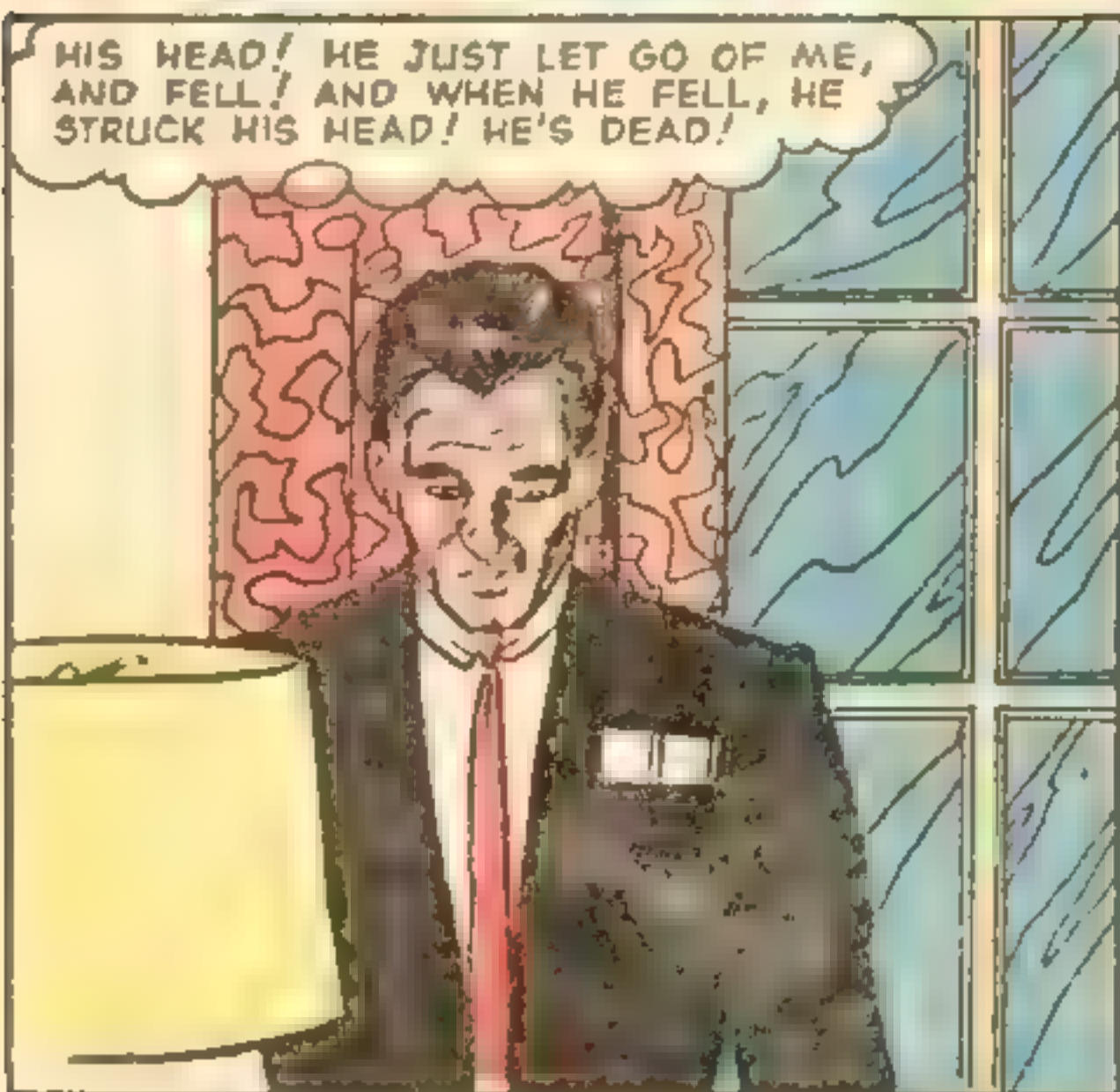
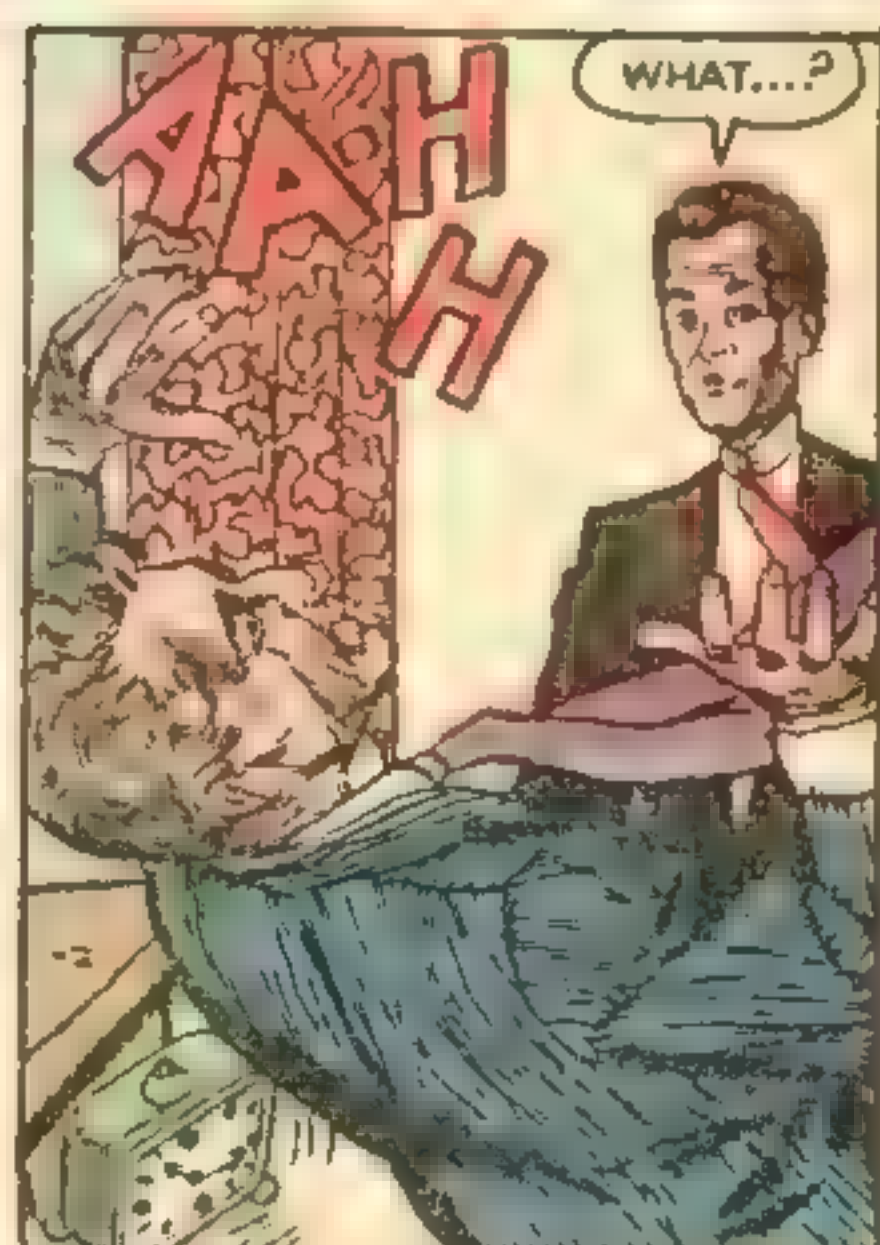


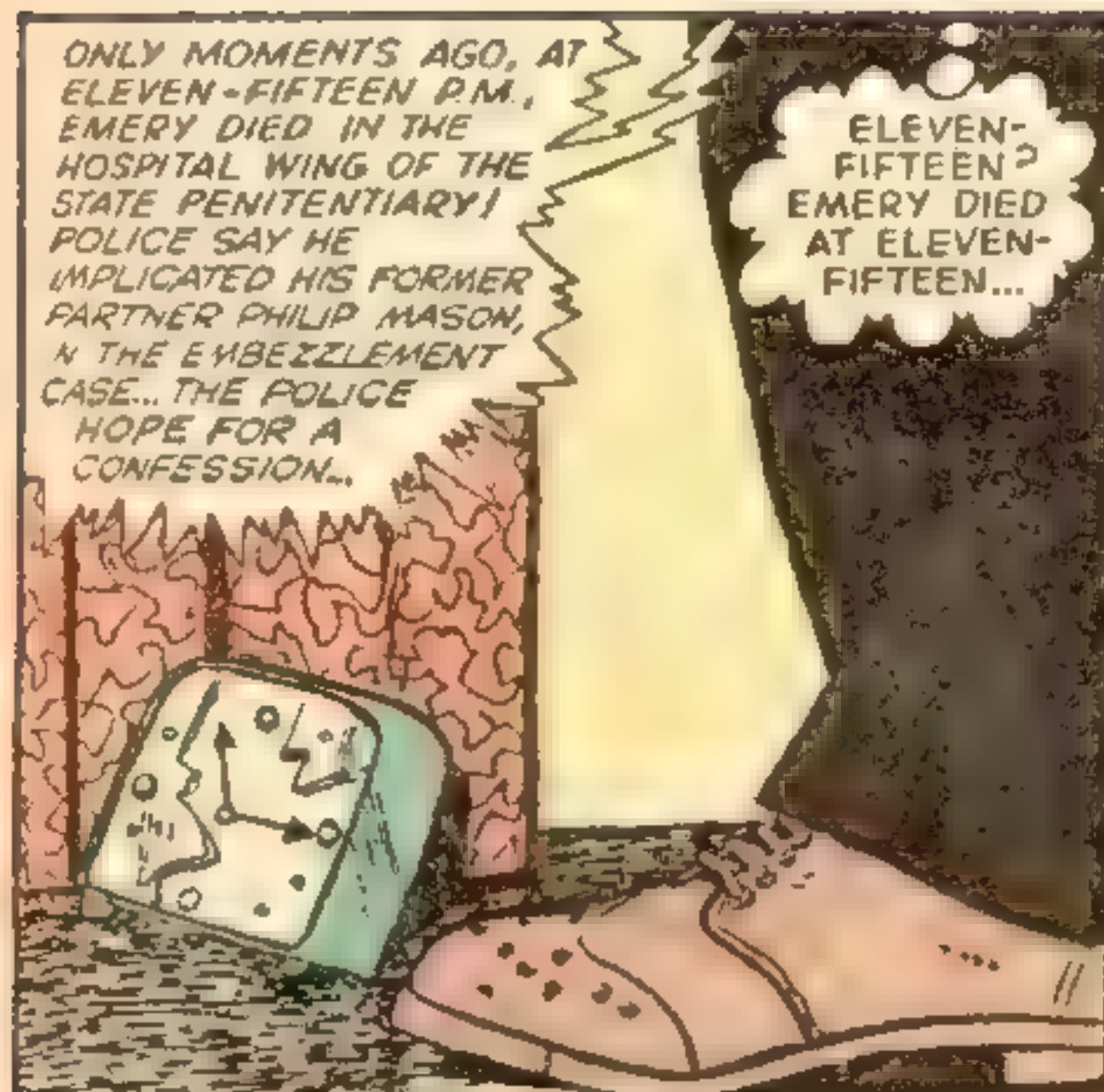
YOUR FACE! I THOUGHT THERE WAS SOMETHING FAMILIAR ABOUT YOU! YOU LOOK LIKE **EMERY!**



YOU HAVE HIS FEATURES! BUT YOUR FACE IS EVIL!

EVIL? OH, YES... I REMEMBER READING HOW YOU TOLD A JURY THAT EMERY HAD TWO PERSONALITIES, TWO LIVES, ONE GOOD AND ONE EVIL!





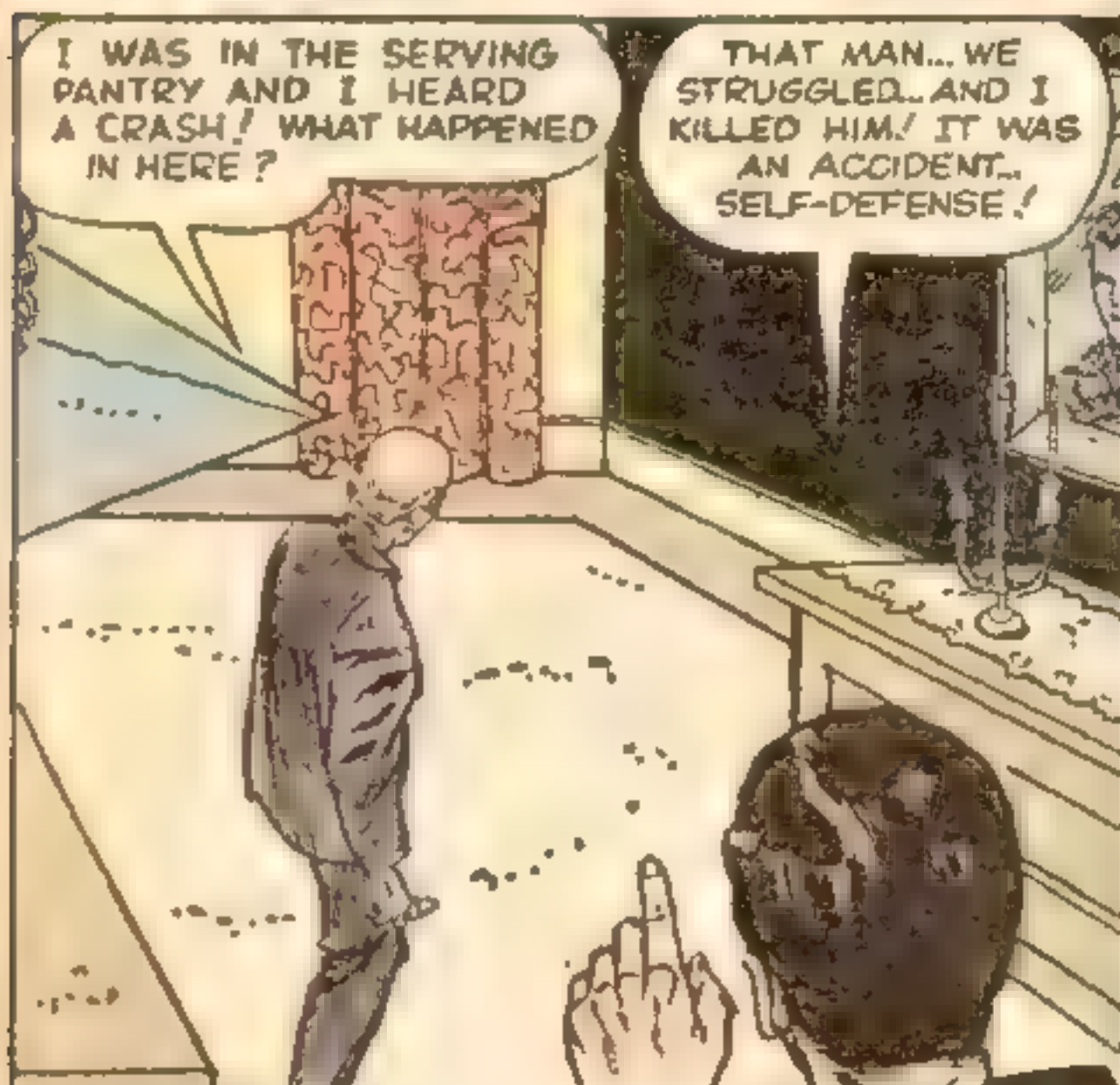
ONLY MOMENTS AGO, AT ELEVEN-FIFTEEN P.M., EMERY DIED IN THE HOSPITAL WING OF THE STATE PENITENTIARY! POLICE SAY HE IMPLICATED HIS FORMER PARTNER PHILIP MASON, IN THE EMBEZZLEMENT CASE... THE POLICE HOPE FOR A CONFESSION...

ELEVEN-FIFTEEN? EMERY DIED AT ELEVEN-FIFTEEN...



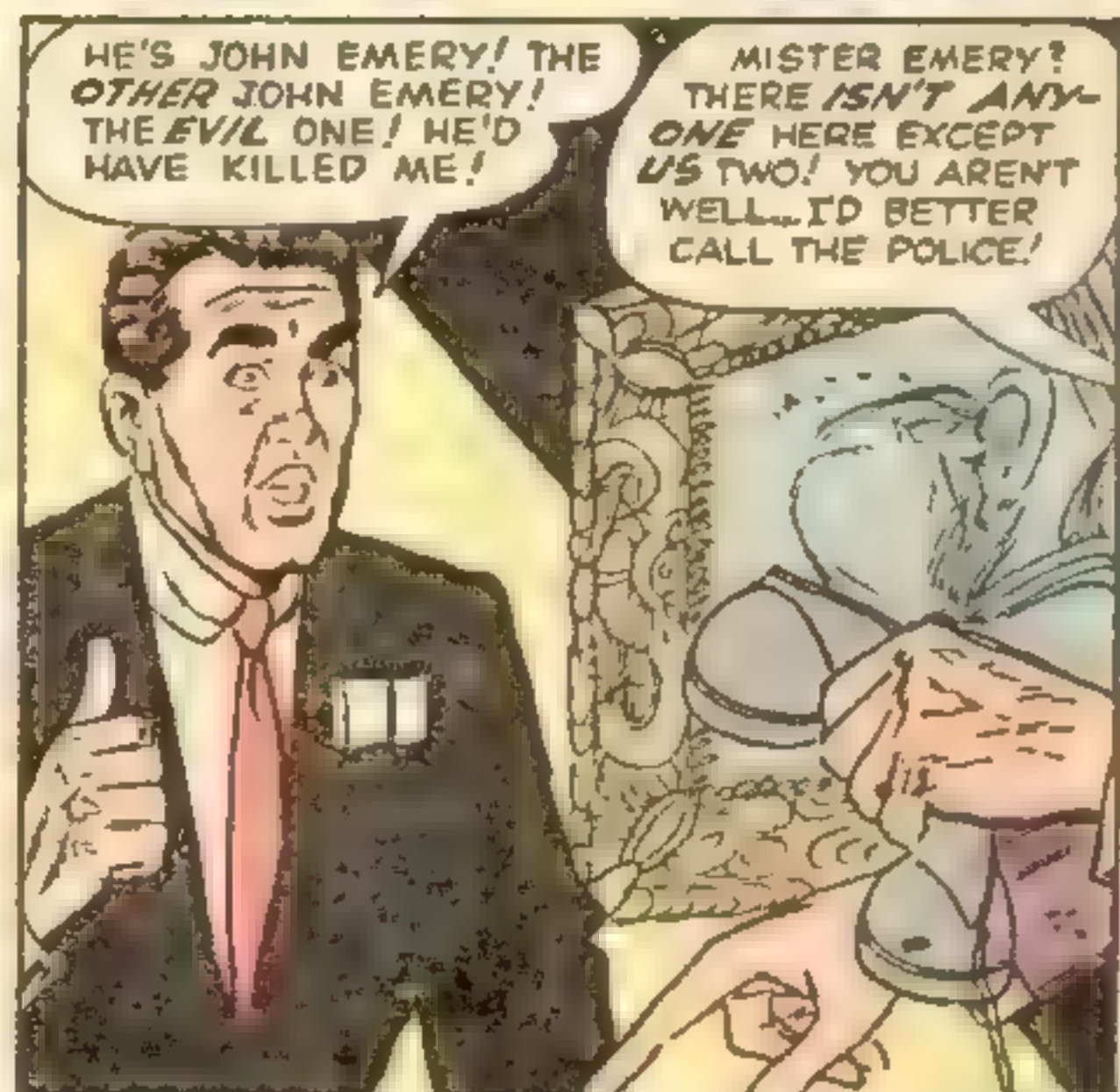
EMERY DIED AT PRECISELY THE MOMENT... WHEN HE DIED! WHEN THE CLOCK FELL, IT STOPPED! HE AND EMERY WERE ONE AND THE SAME!

MISTER MASON!



I WAS IN THE SERVING PANTRY AND I HEARD A CRASH! WHAT HAPPENED IN HERE?

THAT MAN... WE STRUGGLED... AND I KILLED HIM! IT WAS AN ACCIDENT... SELF-DEFENSE!



HE'S JOHN EMERY! THE OTHER JOHN EMERY! THE EVIL ONE! HE'D HAVE KILLED ME!

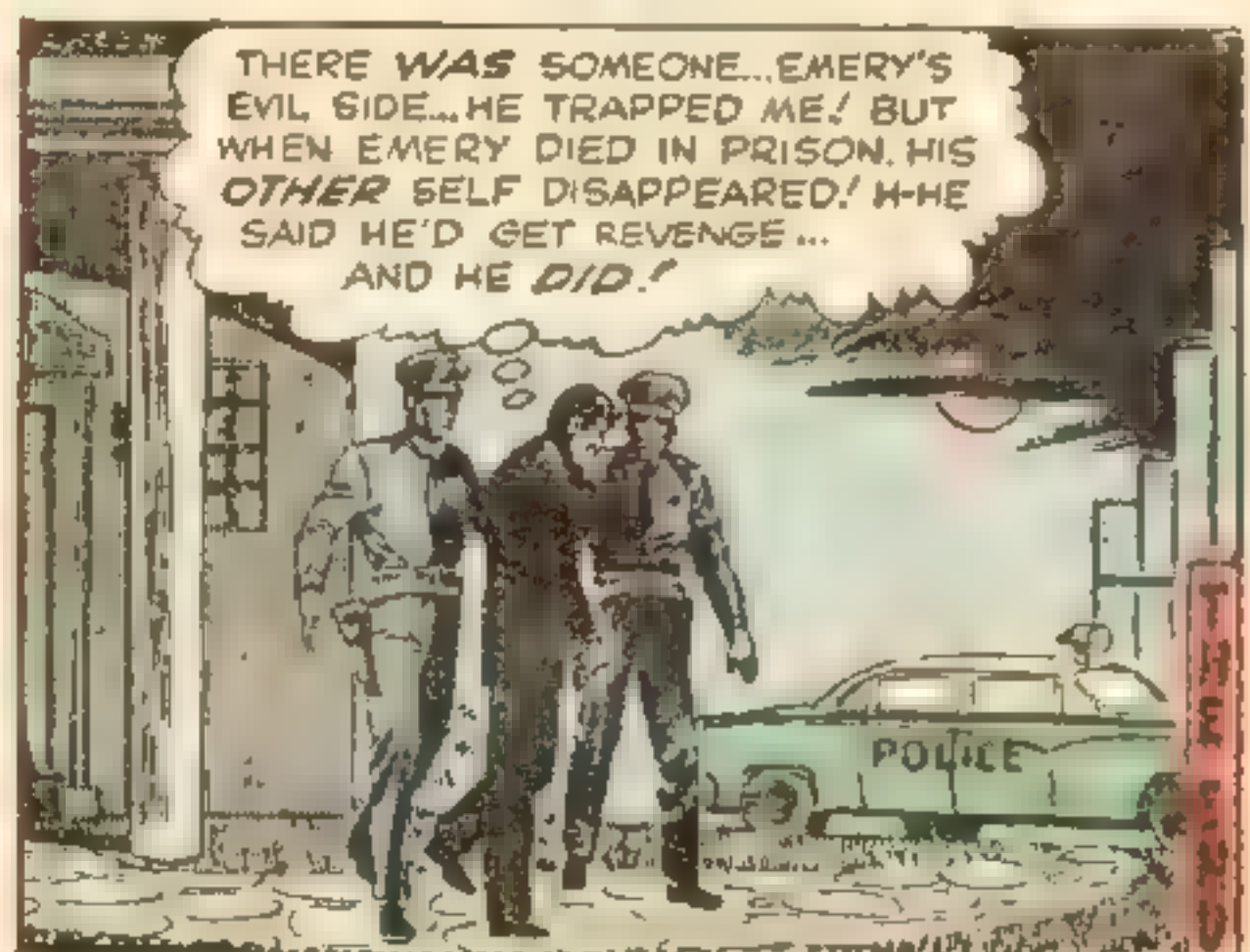
MISTER EMERY? THERE ISN'T ANYONE HERE EXCEPT US TWO! YOU AREN'T WELL... I'D BETTER CALL THE POLICE!



WHAT DO YOU MEAN? AM I GOING MAD? YES, CALL THE POLICE! I'LL TELL THEM EVERYTHING! I'M AS GUILTY AS EMERY! AND THERE WAS SOMEONE HERE, I TELL YOU... IT WAS EMERY'S OTHER SELF!

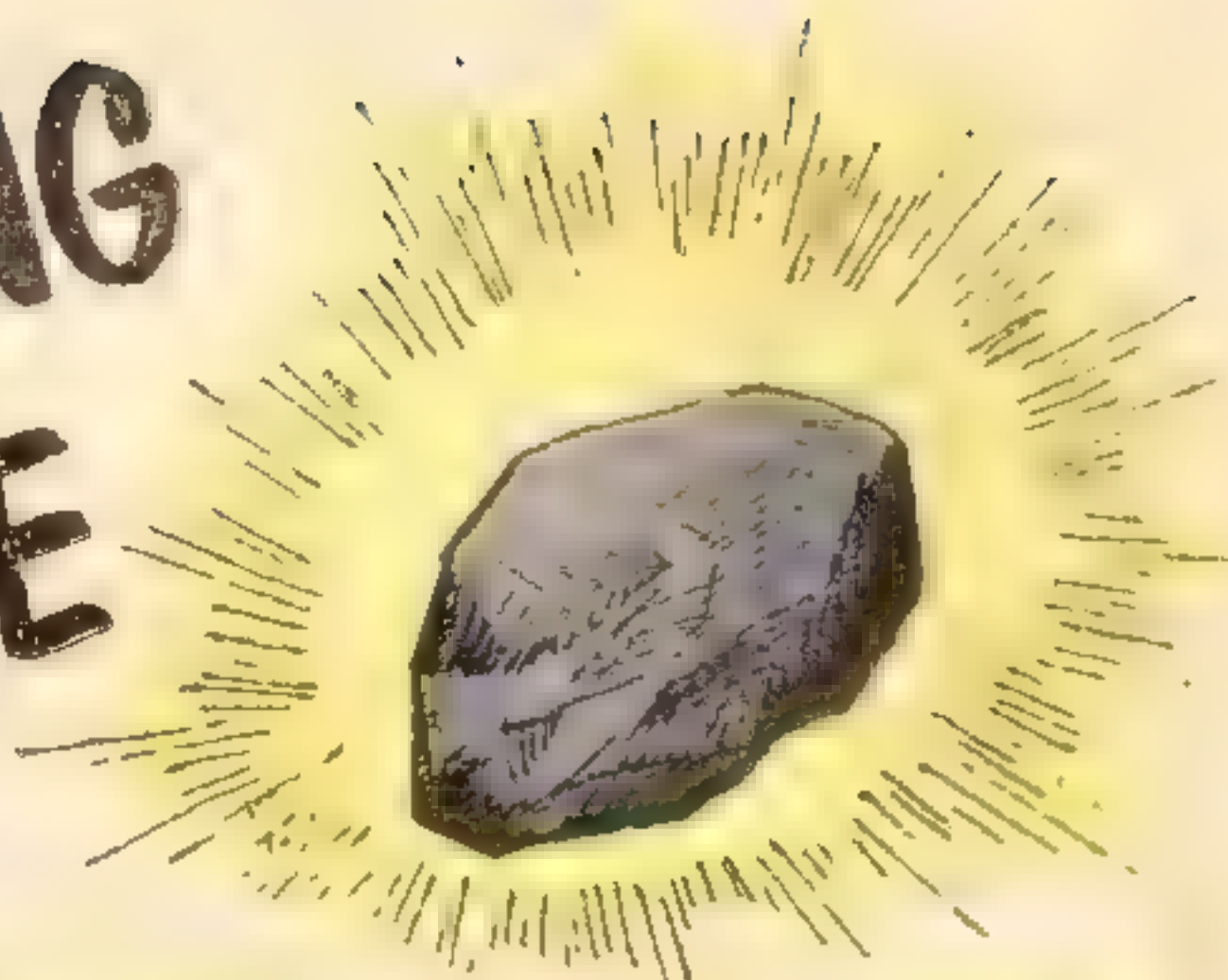
THEN WHAT HE TOLD THE POLICE BEFORE DYING, WAS TRUE! AS FOR SOMEONE BEING HERE... YOU MUST HAVE IMAGINED THAT!

MASON WOULD NEVER BE SURE NOW IF EMERY DID HAVE TWO SIDES TO HIS PERSONALITY... ALL HE COULD BE SURE OF WAS THAT HE WAS ON HIS WAY TO PRISON... THAT HE, TOO, WOULD HAVE TO PAY...



THERE WAS SOMEONE... EMERY'S EVIL SIDE... HE TRAPPED ME! BUT WHEN EMERY DIED IN PRISON, HIS OTHER SELF DISAPPEARED! H-HE SAID HE'D GET REVENGE... AND HE DID!

THE WISHING STONE



WHEN Johnny came to the open field, he couldn't resist the temptation to explore the sandy path. Each day on his way to school, and again on his way back, he was fascinated by the high tangled grass about him which he pretended to be a vast jungle. While walking along the trail itself he had discovered many things appealing to a nine-year-old boy! Three marbles, a coil spring that just might come in handy, bits of glass and unusual stones for his "special" collection, and once he had even found a dime!

Now and then he would examine the ground with curiosity, but on this afternoon there was nothing to find. Then a big green grasshopper leaped and caught his attention. Watching to see where it had gone, he suddenly spotted a stone glinting in a patch of sunlight on the ground.

"A diamond!" he exclaimed, but after picking it up, he saw it was crystal-colored with beautiful pink streaks within. For a while, Johnny turned it over and over on his palm, his eyes bright and happy, completely thrilled with his discovery.

Then, gripping it very tightly, he started for home. He walked quickly, half skipping and half whistling. Occasionally he stopped to blow moisture on the stone and rub it briskly against his pants leg; but it was a hot day, and by the time he turned into his own back yard, some of his enthusiasm had gone.

"Golly, I'm thirsty!" he thought, entering the shade of the big, elm tree, and as his mind focused on his parched, dry throat, he added aloud, "I sure wish I had a big pitcher of lemonade!"

Scarcely had he finished speaking, when he felt a peculiar sensation within his clenched hand. The shiny-pink stone seemed to flutter... but stranger still, when he looked down, he saw that he actually was holding a pitcher in his hand... a pitcher of lemonade!

Johnny couldn't believe his eyes! He was in such a whirl of amazement that his thirst had practically gone. Yet, just enough remained to tempt him into taking a sip and make sure it was real. Three more sips followed in rapid succession, for

it was the most delicious drink he'd ever tasted. Then, just as easily, he wished it away.

It was magic, all right, he decided. "Seeing it's really magic," he said, very softly, "I guess anything I wish for will come true!"

The thought made him tremble inside. He felt a strong urge to test it again... but what should it be? A big slice of chocolate cake? Or, maybe, the bicycle he wanted for so long? But, he wondered, after wishing one into existence how would he explain it? Slowly, he realized that magic had its complications!

When he entered the house he found his mother terribly upset because their old refrigerator was having one of its frequent breakdowns. For a moment he looked on helplessly, then he remembered! Holding his breath, he wished for a new one.

The stone quivered gently and things started happening! The phone rang, and when Johnny answered, it was an announcer from a local quiz show calling about the weekly "Mystery Geography Question".

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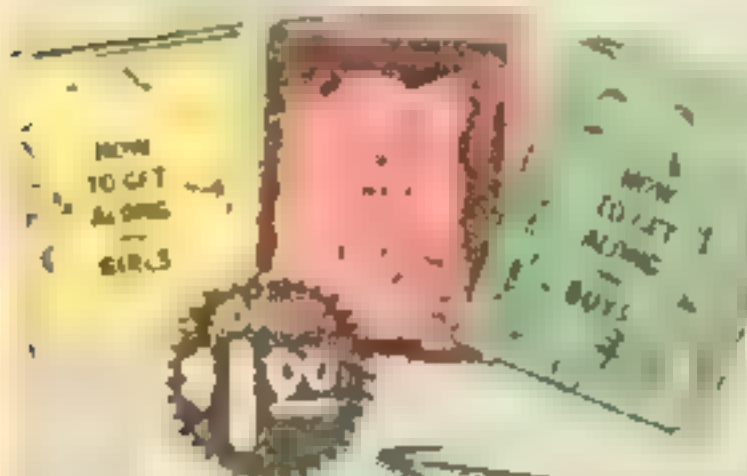
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JACK COLLEY HAD BEEN FISHING! IT WAS A FINE SATURDAY AFTERNOON AND HE FELT WONDERFUL! AS JACK WOULD HAVE PUT IT, "ALL IS RIGHT WITH THE WORLD!" BUT...*IS* IT?

WHEN THE WORLD VANISHED!

THAT'S STRANGE! THE ROAD SEEMED TO SHIFT UNDER MY FEET JUST NOW! MAYBE IT'S AN EARTH TREMOR!

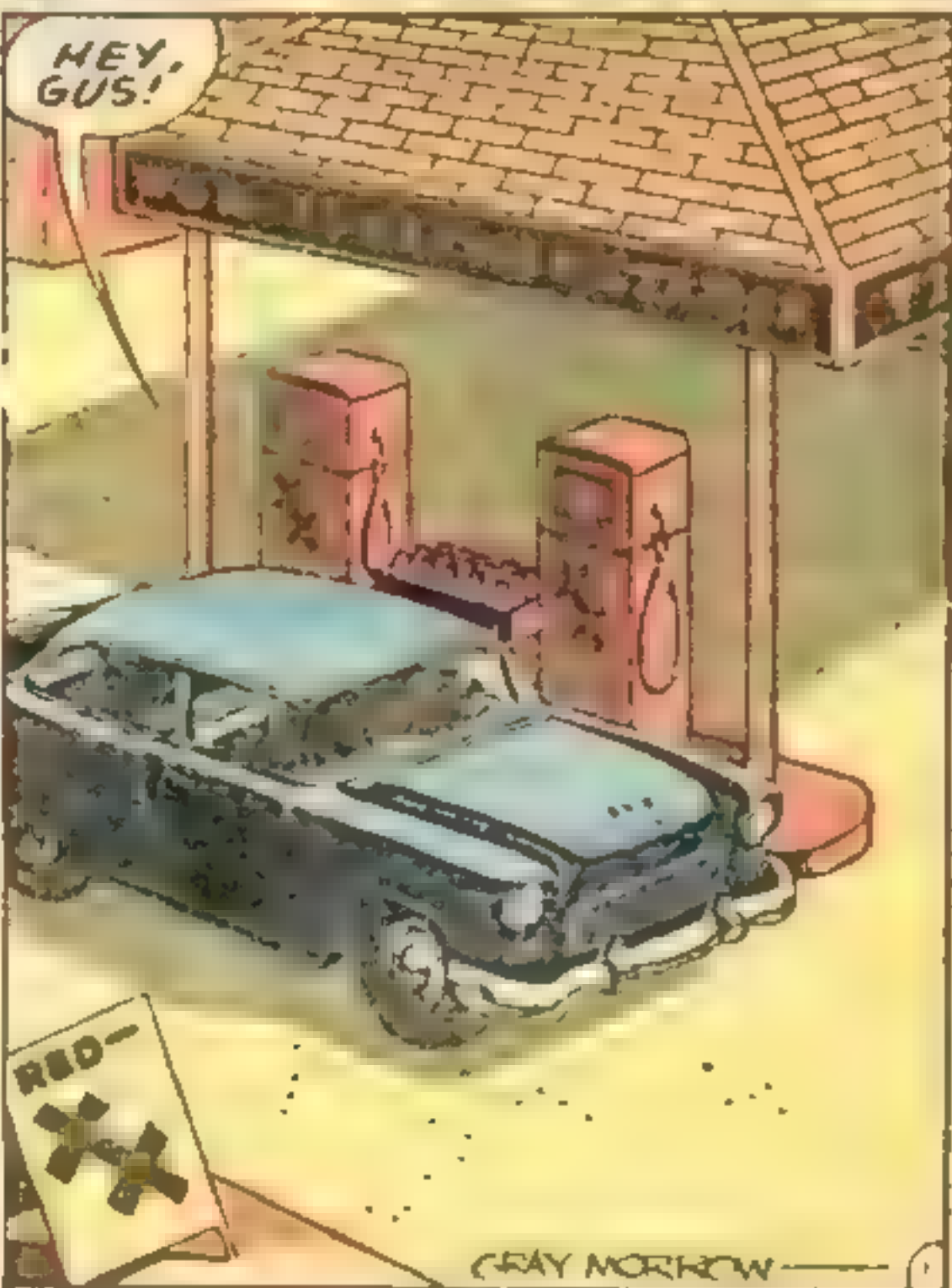
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WITHIN MINUTES, JACK HAD FORGOTTEN THE SHIFTING TREMOR HE HAD FELT!

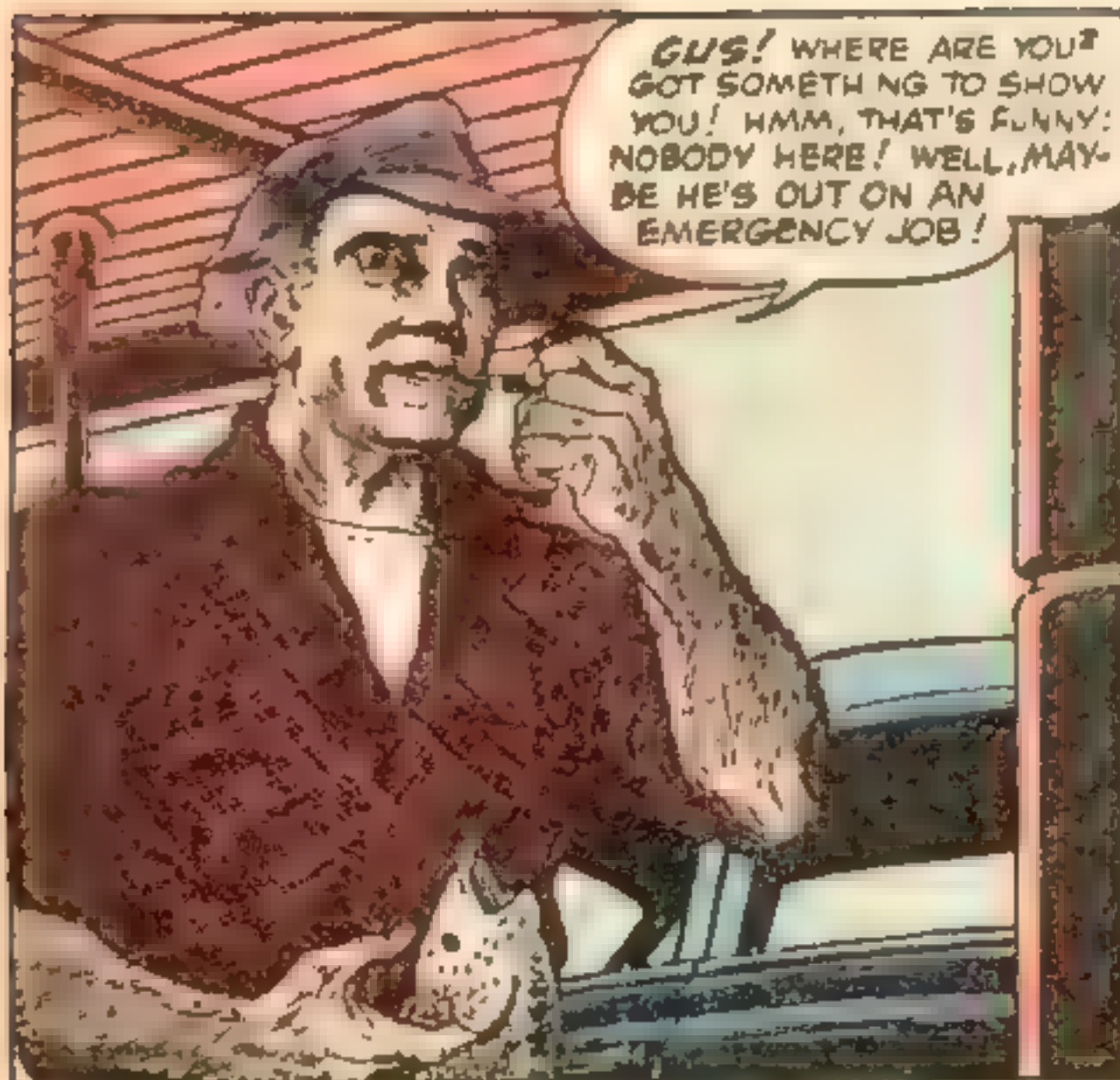
GOT TO STOP AT THE GAS STATION AND SHOW GUS THE BIG BASS I CAUGHT! HE'S THE GUY WHO SAID THERE WERE NO BASS IN THAT LAKE! HA, JUST HAVE TO KNOW HOW TO CATCH 'EM!



HEY,
GUS!

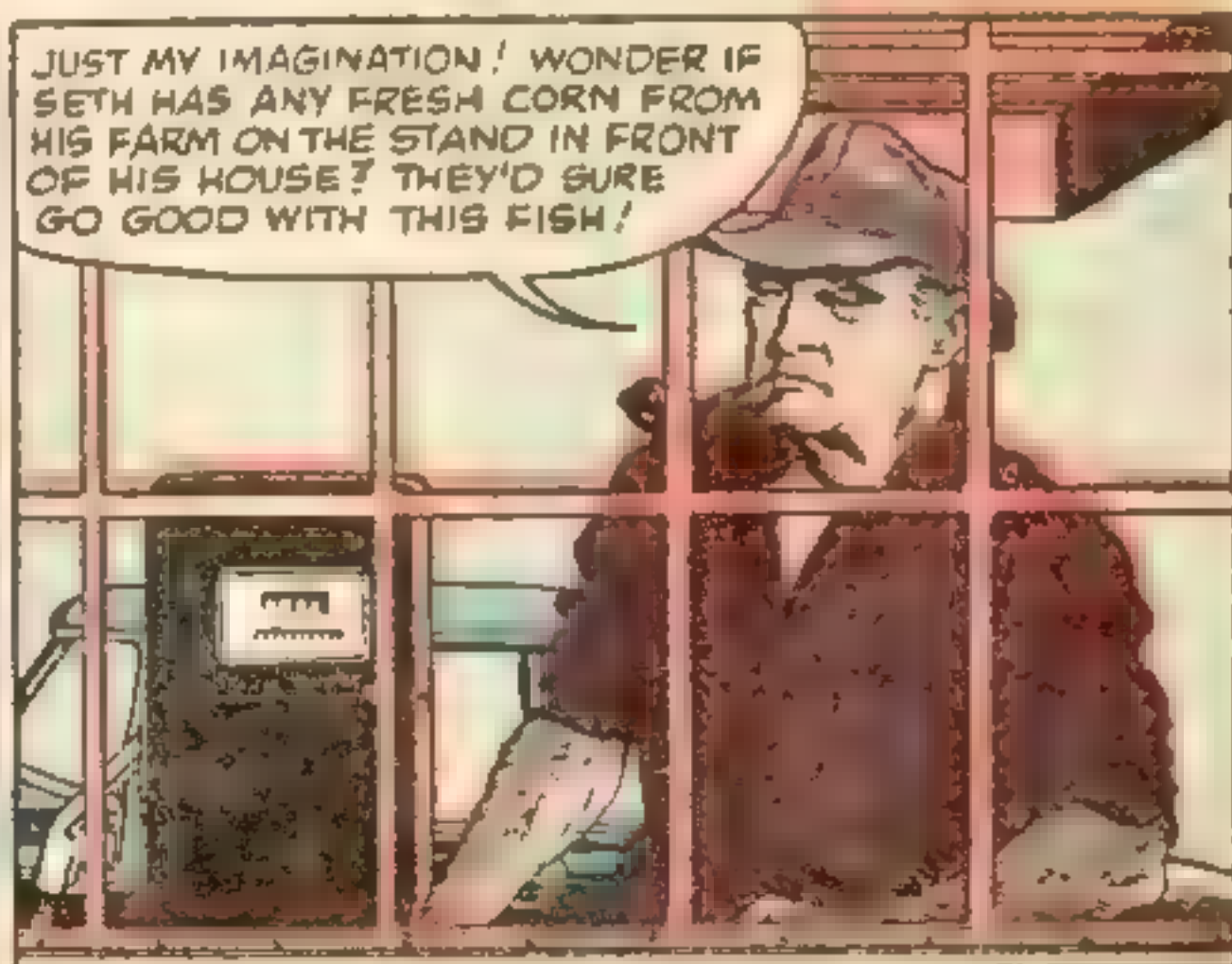


GRAY MORROW



GUS! WHERE ARE YOU? GOT SOMETHING TO SHOW YOU! HMM, THAT'S FUNNY: NOBODY HERE! WELL, MAYBE HE'S OUT ON AN EMERGENCY JOB!

HE GOT INTO HIS CAR AGAIN AND DROVE ON! HE KEPT THINKING ABOUT GUS, ABOUT THE A R OF... DESERT ON YES, THAT WAS THE WORD THAT SEEMED TO HANG OVER THE 'GAS STATION!

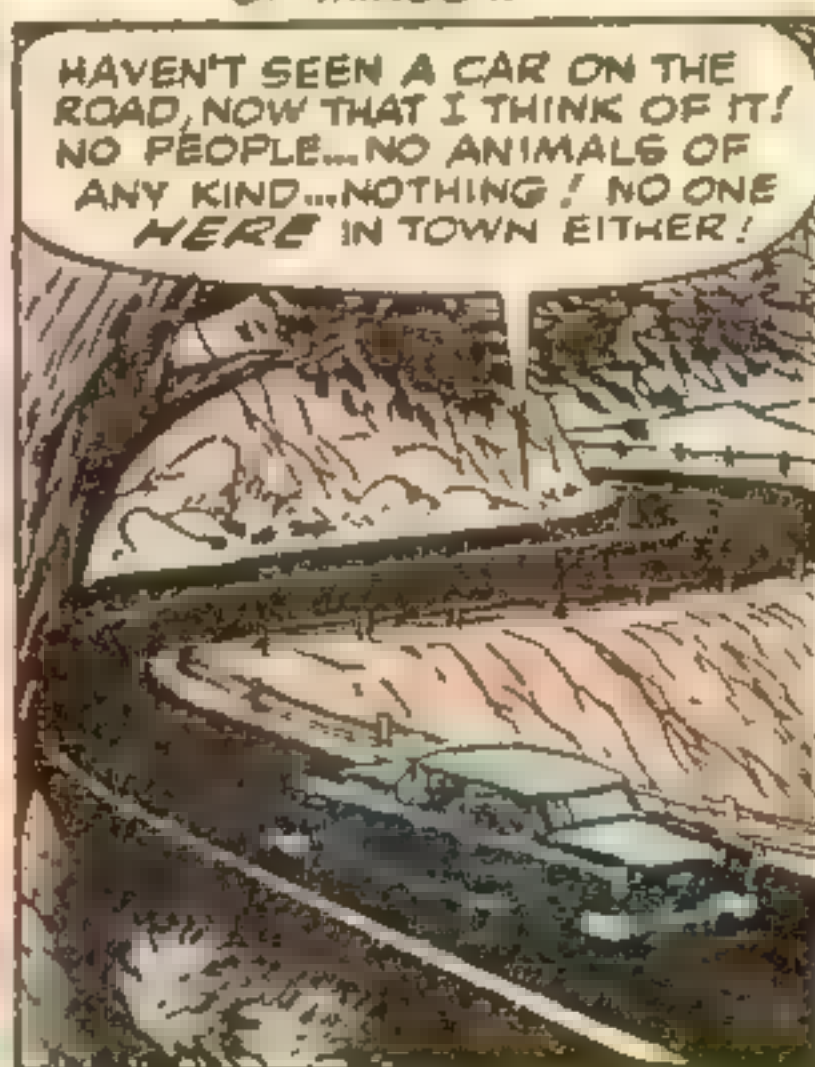


JUST MY IMAGINATION! WONDER IF SETH HAS ANY FRESH CORN FROM HIS FARM ON THE STAND IN FRONT OF HIS HOUSE? THEY'D SURE GO GOOD WITH THIS FISH!

WELL, THAT'S MIGHTY ODD! NOBODY HERE, NOT EVEN SETH'S KIDS! THEY'RE ALWAYS AROUND! DON'T SEE ANY OF THE HIRED MEN IN THE FIELDS... DON'T EVEN SEE ANY OF THE COWS!



AGAIN JACK DROVE ON, BUT NOW HE BEGAN TO NOTICE THINGS.. OR RATHER HE BEGAN TO NOTICE THE **ABSENCE** OF THINGS...



HAVEN'T SEEN A CAR ON THE ROAD, NOW THAT I THINK OF IT! NO PEOPLE...NO ANIMALS OF ANY KIND...NOTHING! NO ONE **HERE** IN TOWN EITHER!

ALARM BEGAN TO EDGE INTO HIS HEART... HE STEPPED ON THE GAS, SLAMMING THRU THE EMPTY STREETS FAR BEYOND THE SPEED LIMIT! HE WANTED TO GET HOME ...



HE SLAMMED ON THE BRAKES IN FRONT OF HIS HOUSE AND WAS OUT OF THE CAR ALMOST BEFORE IT STOPPED MOVING...

RUTH, WHERE ARE YOU? **RUTH!**



HE RUSHED THRU THE EMPTY HOUSE LIKE A MADMAN, SHOUTING, CALLING HIS WIFE!



RUTH, ANSWER ME! WHERE ARE YOU?

HIS ONLY ANSWER WAS THE ECHOES OF HIS OWN VOICE! HE PUSHED OUT INTO THE STREET AGAIN...

WHERE IS EVERYBODY? SOMEONE... ANSWER ME! WHAT'S HAPPENED? AM I THE LAST MAN IN THE WORLD?

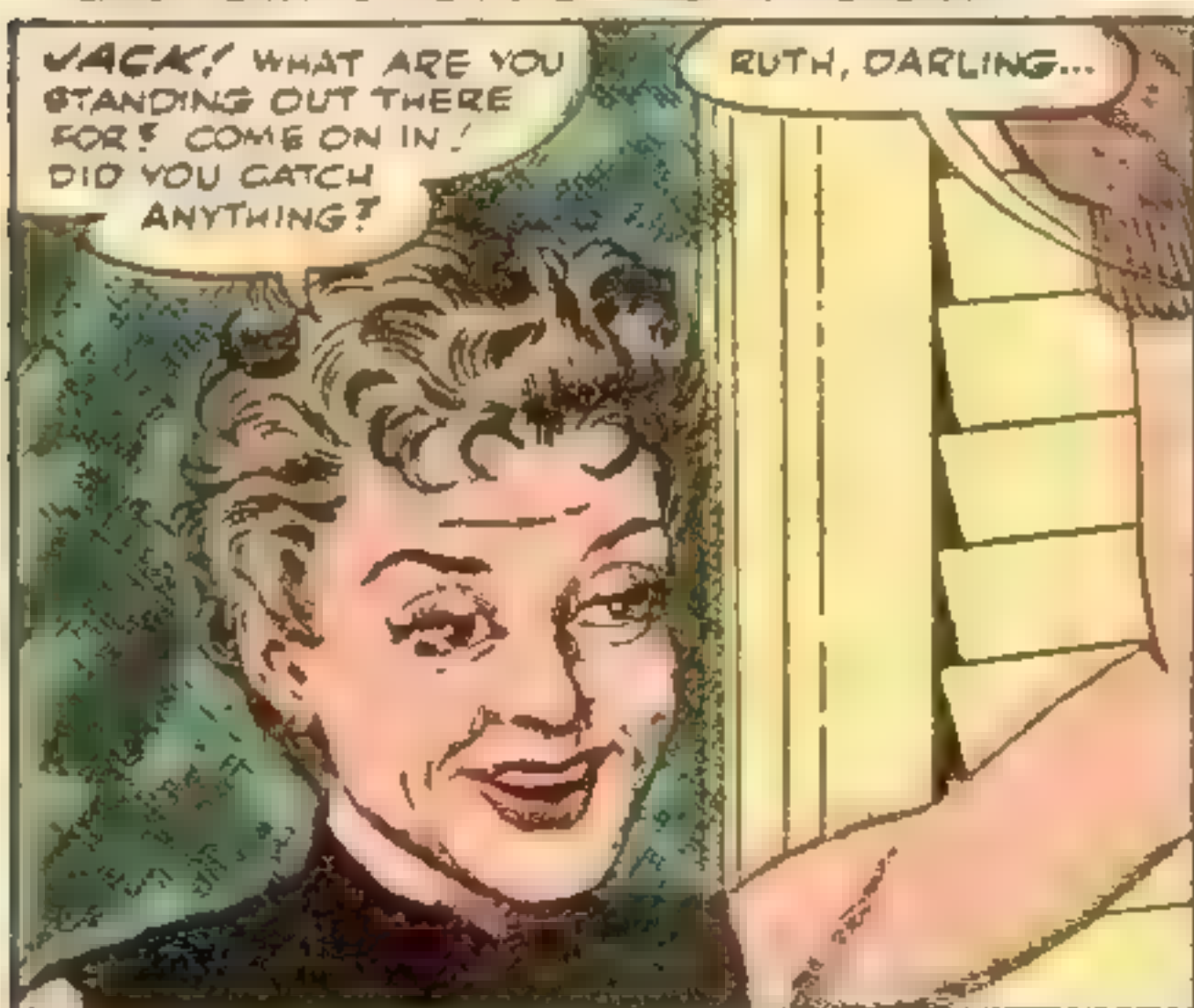


HE TRIED TO CALM HIMSELF! HE TOOK A DEEP BREATH AND LOOKED AROUND...

DIDN'T NOTICE THAT BEFORE! THINGS DO LOOK A BIT CHANGED! EVERYTHING LOOKS FRESHER, CLEANER... AS THOUGH EVERYTHING HAD BEEN NEWLY WASHED! THE GROUND... IT SEEMED TO SHIFT UNDER MY FEET AGAIN! NOW I REMEMBER... IT DID THAT BEFORE, JUST AS I WAS GETTING INTO THE CAR...



THE GROUND MOVED, TREMBLED THEN WAS STILL! AND SUDDENLY THERE WERE SOUNDS AND PEOPLE AND LAUGHTER, AND THE WORLD WAS AS BEFORE...



JACK! WHAT ARE YOU STANDING OUT THERE FOR? COME ON IN! DID YOU CATCH ANYTHING?

RUTH, DARLING...

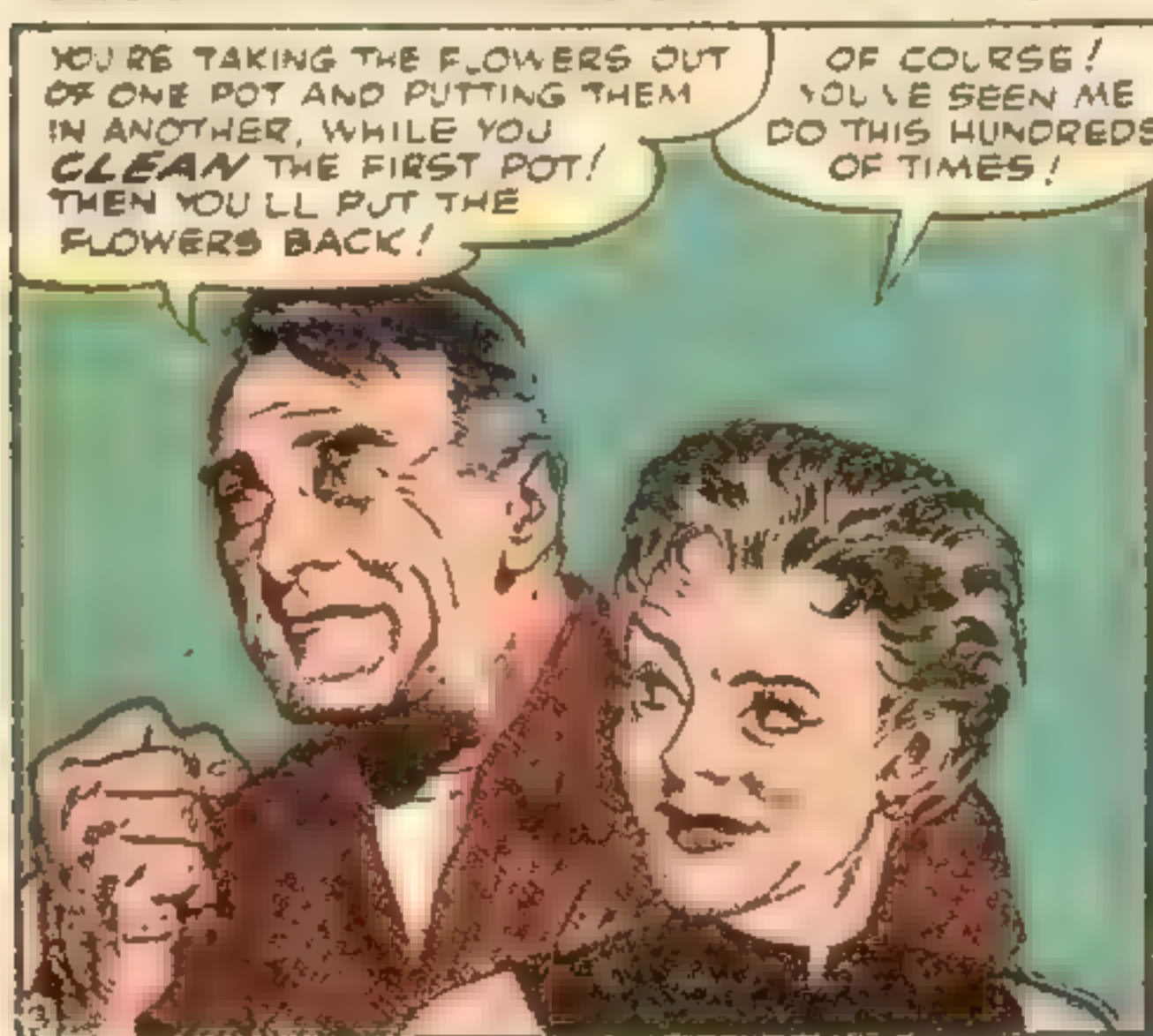
RUTH... A STRANGE THING... I DON'T KNOW HOW TO TELL YOU...

JACK, STOP ACTING LIKE A LOVELORN TEENAGER! I'VE GOT TO WASH THIS POT AND PUT THE FLOWERS BACK, BEFORE THEY WILT!



HE WANTED TO TELL HER BUT HOW COULD HE? HE DIDN'T UNDERSTAND WHAT HAD HAPPENED HIMSELF! THEN THE WORDS SHE HAD SPOKEN REGISTERED IN HIS MIND!

AND SUDDENLY JACK THOUGHT HE KNEW WHAT HAD HAPPENED...



YOU'RE TAKING THE FLOWERS OUT OF ONE POT AND PUTTING THEM IN ANOTHER, WHILE YOU CLEAN THE FIRST POT! THEN YOU'LL PUT THE FLOWERS BACK!

OF COURSE! YOU'VE SEEN ME DO THIS HUNDREDS OF TIMES!

THE WORLD, EVERY SO OFTEN, PROBABLY NEEDS CLEANING TOO! AND PEOPLE ARE SUDDENLY TRANSFERRED, WITHOUT KNOWING IT, TO AN EXACTLY SIMILAR WORLD, THEN PUT BACK WHEN THEIR OWN WORLD IS CLEAN AND SHINING AGAIN! SOMEHOW, I WAS OVERLOOKED DURING THAT TIME OF CLEANING!



Without knowing why, Johnny blurted out the word, "Greenland"!

"Right," shouted the voice at the other end. "You've just won a new refrigerator!"

There it was! Johnny was almost as surprised as his mother. True, the magic had worked differently this time, not directly like the appearance of the lemonade, but then he remembered his mother's presence and decided it was better that it came the way it did.

Stuffing his hands in his pockets, Johnny went out on the front porch and sat down on the swing. What should he do? he wondered. Keep it a secret? Maybe if he told someone, the magic would disappear. He knew he should feel happy, but instead, his treasure made him feel uneasy and confused.

For example there was that doghouse he wanted to make. He had mowed lawns all summer to earn enough money to buy the lumber and nails. And Mr. Winkers, the old carpenter on the hill, had promised to show him how to build it real professional. It had been so much fun to think about, planning all the details, and now, in just one minute, he could make a wish and the doghouse would be standing right out there next to the garage . . . maybe even with his dog, Tagger, inside.

Johnny groaned, unhappily. On the one hand he was tempted to see it happen, and on the other, if he did, it would spoil all the fun of building it himself. Besides, he'd have to disappoint Mr. Winkers, too!

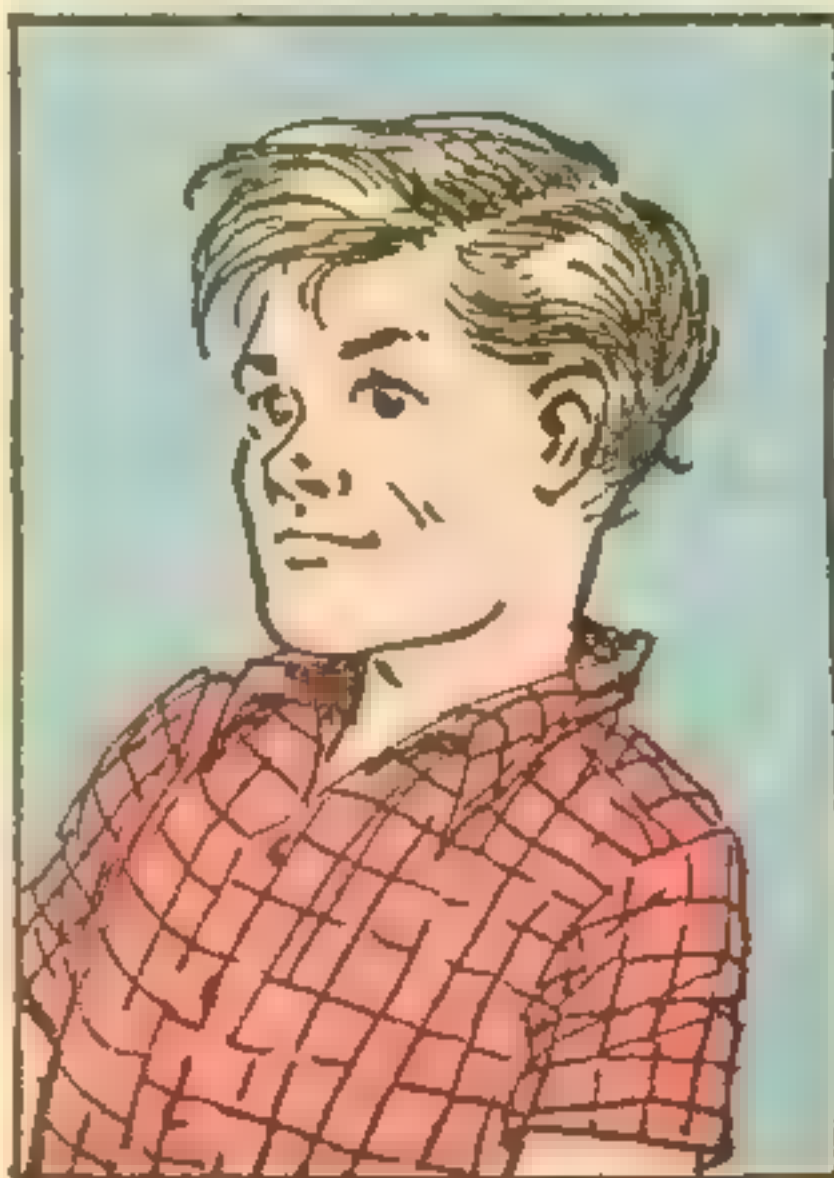
Just then, Tagger appeared, wagging his tail.

"Hello, Tags," Johnny greeted him, gloomily. The dog jumped up on the porch swing, making the rusty chains squeak. "I've got a serious problem," he added.

He looked at the stone, and Tagger sniffed it rather casually. "Careful! It's magic," Johnny explained.

Returning the stone to his pocket, he slid off the swing and jumped down the porch stairs started walking along the street with Tagger following behind.

"Magic!" Johnny repeated. Wouldn't Pete and Butch and Joey be surprised if they knew?



Yet, how could he tell them without it leading to trouble over who would try it first and how many wishes each could have . . . or, maybe, it wouldn't work for them at all!

The more Johnny thought about it, the more uncertain he became. And with each step he grew more and more unhappy.

"Who wants things when it can come so easy?" Johnny mumbled to himself. "After a while, somebody's gonna get suspicious if lots of things start happening. And who will be-

lieve me if I tell them?"

As if in sympathetic reply, Tagger licked Johnny's hand.

"Golly, Tags, it sure is a terrible responsibility!"

They walked until they came to the railroad tracks at the edge of town. Johnny looked down between the even ties at the ordinary colored pebbles covering the ground. He kicked out and sent some scattering into the air. If he had only found one of these, it would have been so simple and he could have relaxed out under the elm tree, or maybe started on the house for Tagger this afternoon.

With a heavy sigh, Johnny reached into his pocket to have another look at his magic stone.

In a way, he wished that he had never found it, and then the strangest thing of all happened. His fingers dug deeper and deeper inside his pocket, but the stone was gone!

Johnny sat down beside the tracks, and as he recovered from his surprise, he realized what happened. When he wished that he had never found the stone, it had disappeared.

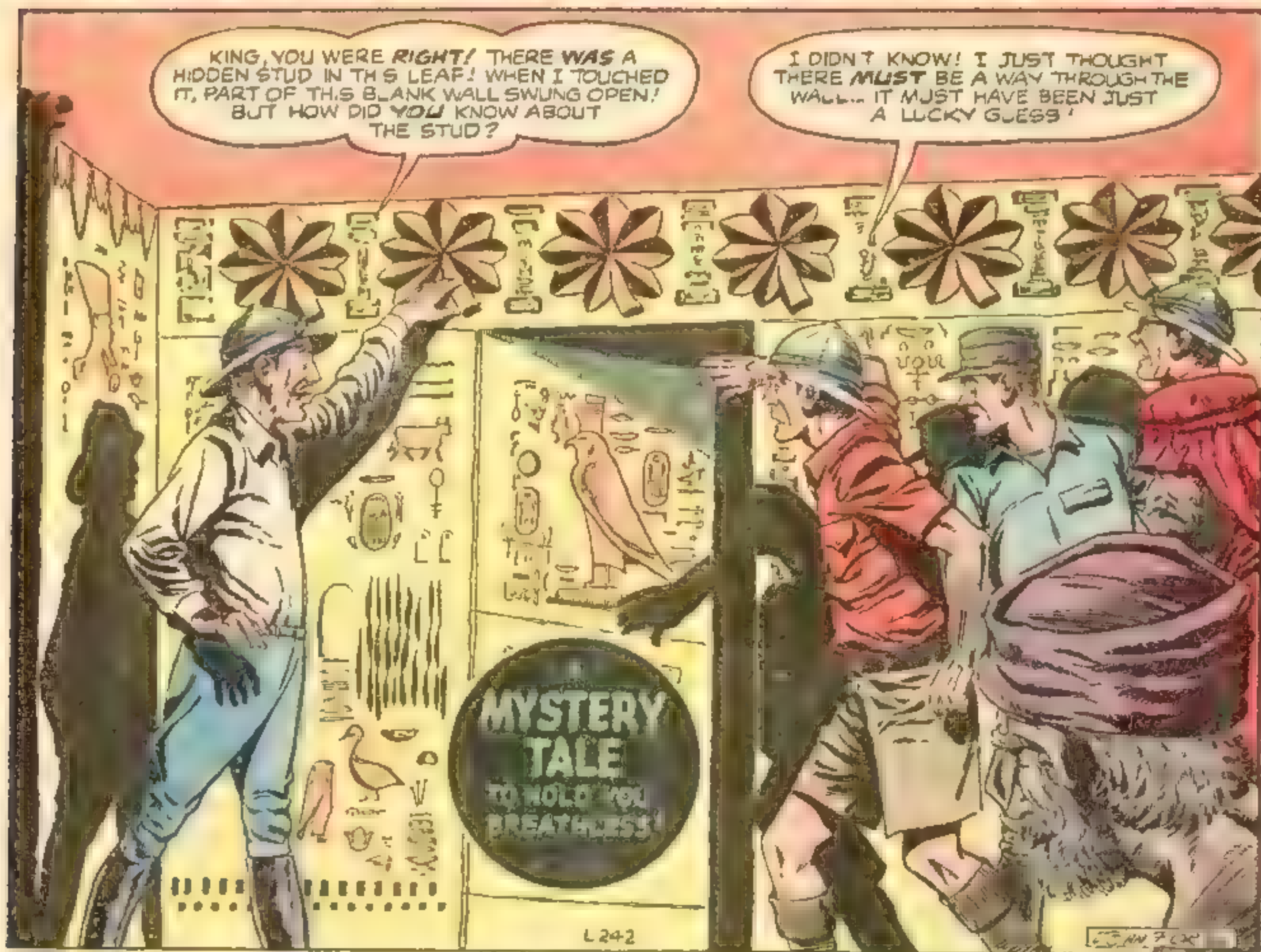
A bright smile was on his face as he called to Tagger. "C'mon, fella," he said, as they started for home. "Let's start building that doghouse this afternoon!"

SOMEHOW, KING KNEW OF THINGS THAT HAD BEEN BURIED FOR FIFTY CENTURIES AND HE THOUGHT HE KNEW WHY! BUT HE HAD THE WRONG SOLUTION TO THE RIDDLE OF...

THE PYRAMID'S SECRET

KING, YOU WERE *RIGHT*! THERE *WAS* A HIDDEN STUD IN THIS LEAF! WHEN I TOUCHED IT, PART OF THIS BLANK WALL SWUNG OPEN! BUT HOW DID *YOU* KNOW ABOUT THE STUD?

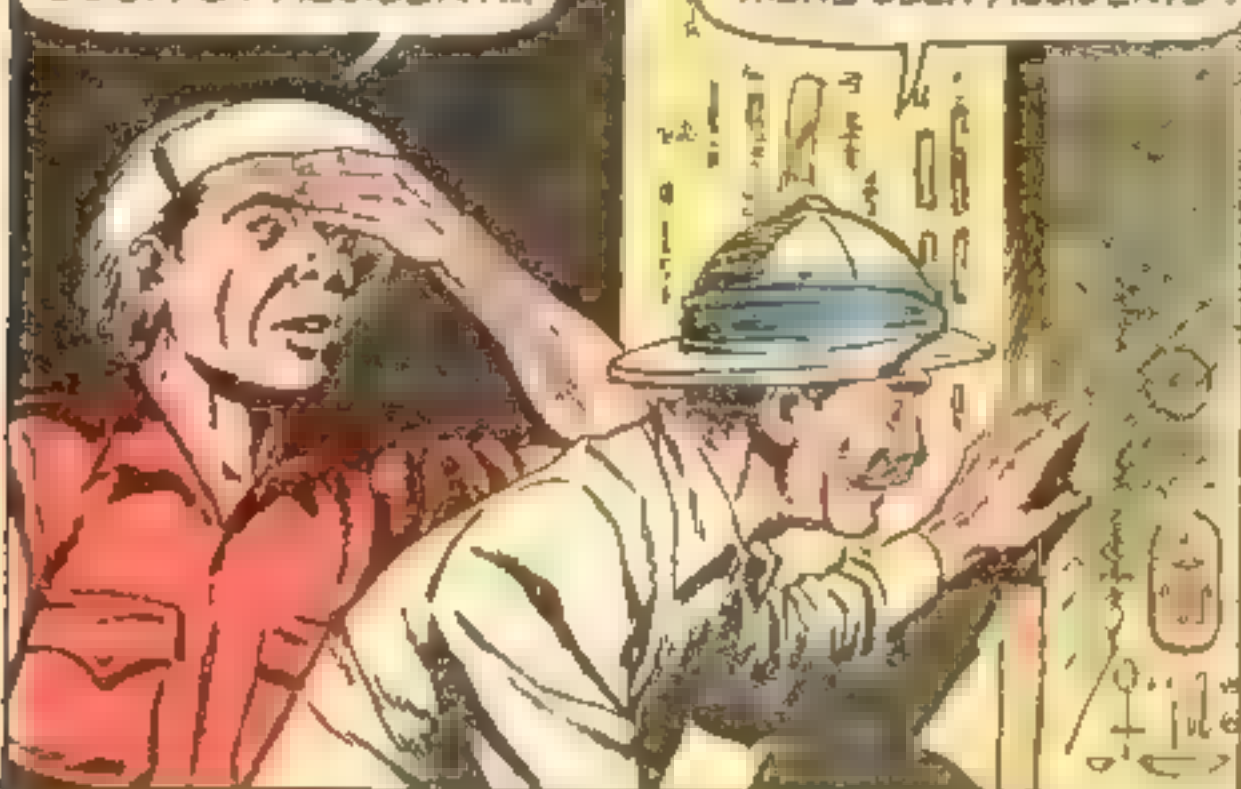
I DIDN'T KNOW! I JUST THOUGHT THERE *MUST* BE A WAY THROUGH THE WALL... IT MUST HAVE BEEN JUST A LUCKY GUESS!



IN THE BEGINNING, KING WAS UNCERTAIN! THERE IN A GLOOM FIVE THOUSAND YEARS OLD HE COULD ONLY WONDER AS THE OTHERS WONDERED...

IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE, DOES IT? FINDING THAT DOOR BY ACCIDENT...

MAYBE NOT, BUT I WISH WE COULD HAVE MORE SUCH "ACCIDENTS"!



WE'VE BEEN EXCAVATING THIS TOMB FOR WEEKS, AND THIS IS OUR FIRST IMPORTANT FIND! *LOOK!*

I... I DON'T HAVE TO LOOK! I *KNOW* WHAT'S IN THERE! THE PHARAOH'S BOAT!



EVERYTHING AT LONG SLAVES TO MAN THE OARS! SLAVES WHO DIED AT THE BATTLE HAVE THE MASTER!

BUT THIS MUST BE JUST AN ANTEROOM TO THE MAIN TOMB THERE MUST BE ANOTHER HIDDEN DOOR A PASSAGE WAY TO OTHER CHAMBERS

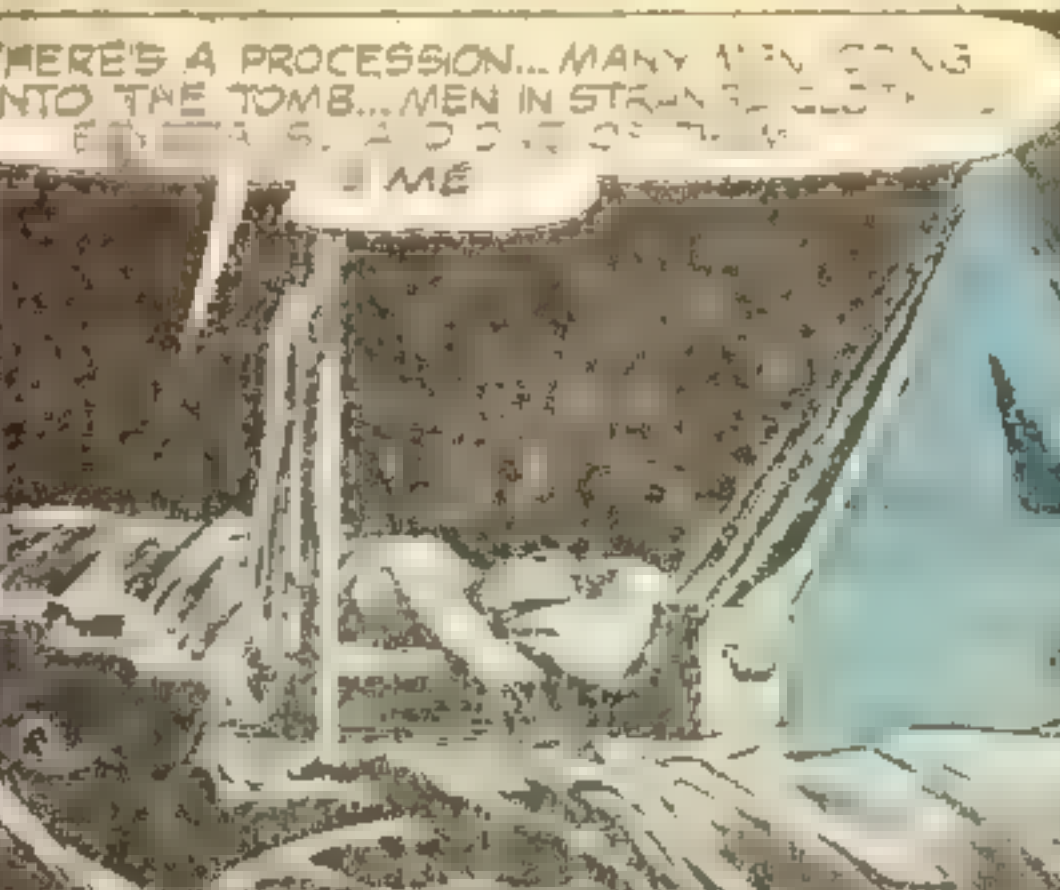
THERE IS AN OTHER DOOR AND BEHIND IT IS THE PHAROS MUMMY! THERE'S GOLD FREEDOM STONES

A comic book panel showing a man in a white robe and turban speaking to a man in a red robe. The man in white is saying, "KING! YOU WERE RISKY ONCE TRYING TO GET A DOOR OPEN IN ONE OF THESE TOWNS! WHEN I WAS ONE". The man in red is looking at him with a concerned expression. The background is a simple, stylized drawing of a town with a large building and a smaller building. The art style is reminiscent of classic comic book illustrations.

SHOCKING... LATER - OTHER REMAINS OF THAT
BUT A NEW DREA IS WERE NOT OF TOMORROW!

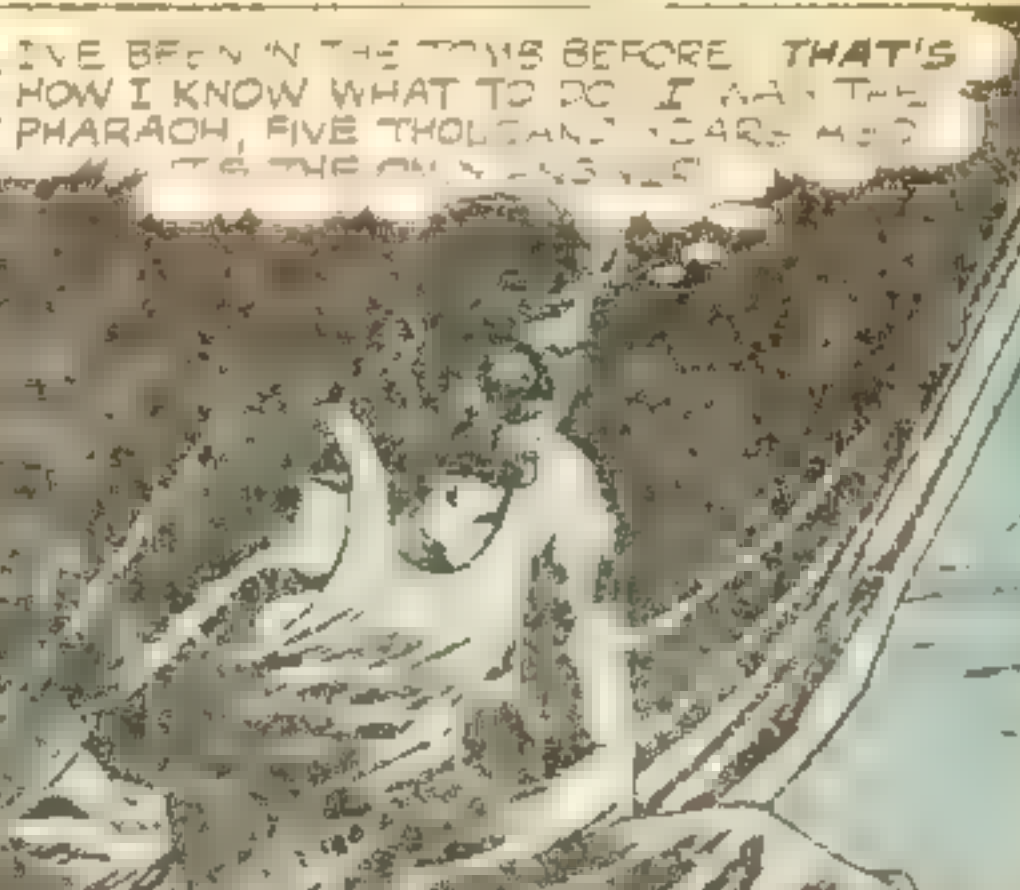
THERE'S A PROCESSION... MANY MEN GOING
INTO THE TOMB... MEN IN STRANGE CLOTHES
BY THE SIDE OF THE TOMB

ME



KING DELAYED HIS MACABRE DREAMS AND THEN AWAKENED.

I'VE BEEN IN THE TOMB BEFORE THAT'S HOW I KNOW WHAT TO DO. I AM THE PHARAOH, FIVE THOUSAND YEARS AGO. HE IS THE ONLY KING HERE.



AND IF I'M THE PHARAOH, THESE OTHERS HAVE NO RIGHT TO THE TREASURE! IT'S MINE! I WON'T TELL THEM ABOUT IT! AFTER THEY'VE GONE, I'LL COME BACK FOR IT!



BUT I'VE GOT TO SEE IT! TO FEAST MY EYES ON IT! JUST ONCE, AFTER ALL THESE CENTURES

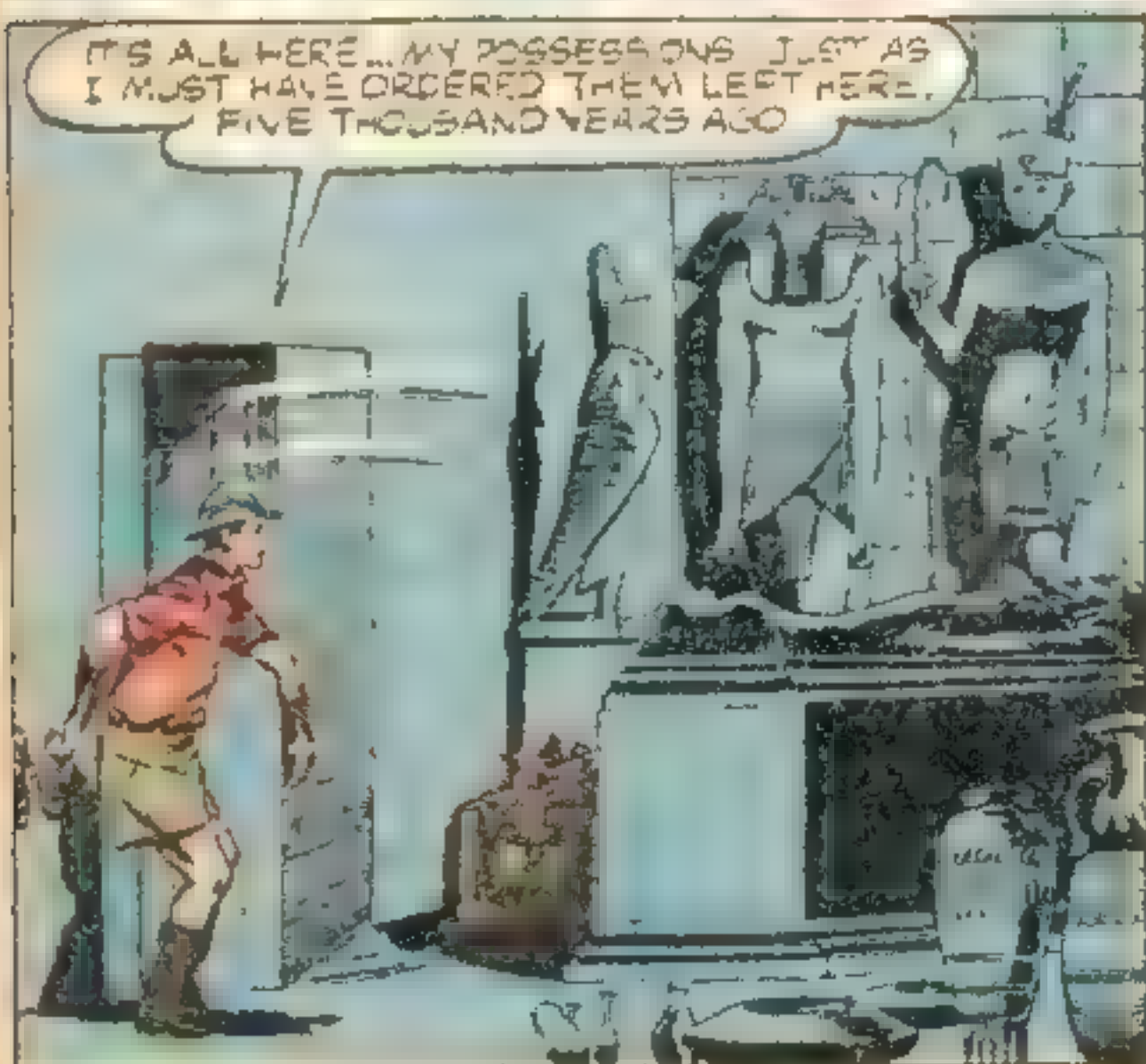


EAGERLY KING HURRIED ON. THE WAY WAS SO FAMILIAR! ACROSS THE PALE SANDS, DOWN A BLACK PASSAGEWAY TO A BOAT MANNED BY MEN LONG DEAD..

I KNEW THERE'D BE ANOTHER DOOR HERE. IT OPENS WHEN THE BOTTOM OF THIS STONE BLOCK IS PRESSED.

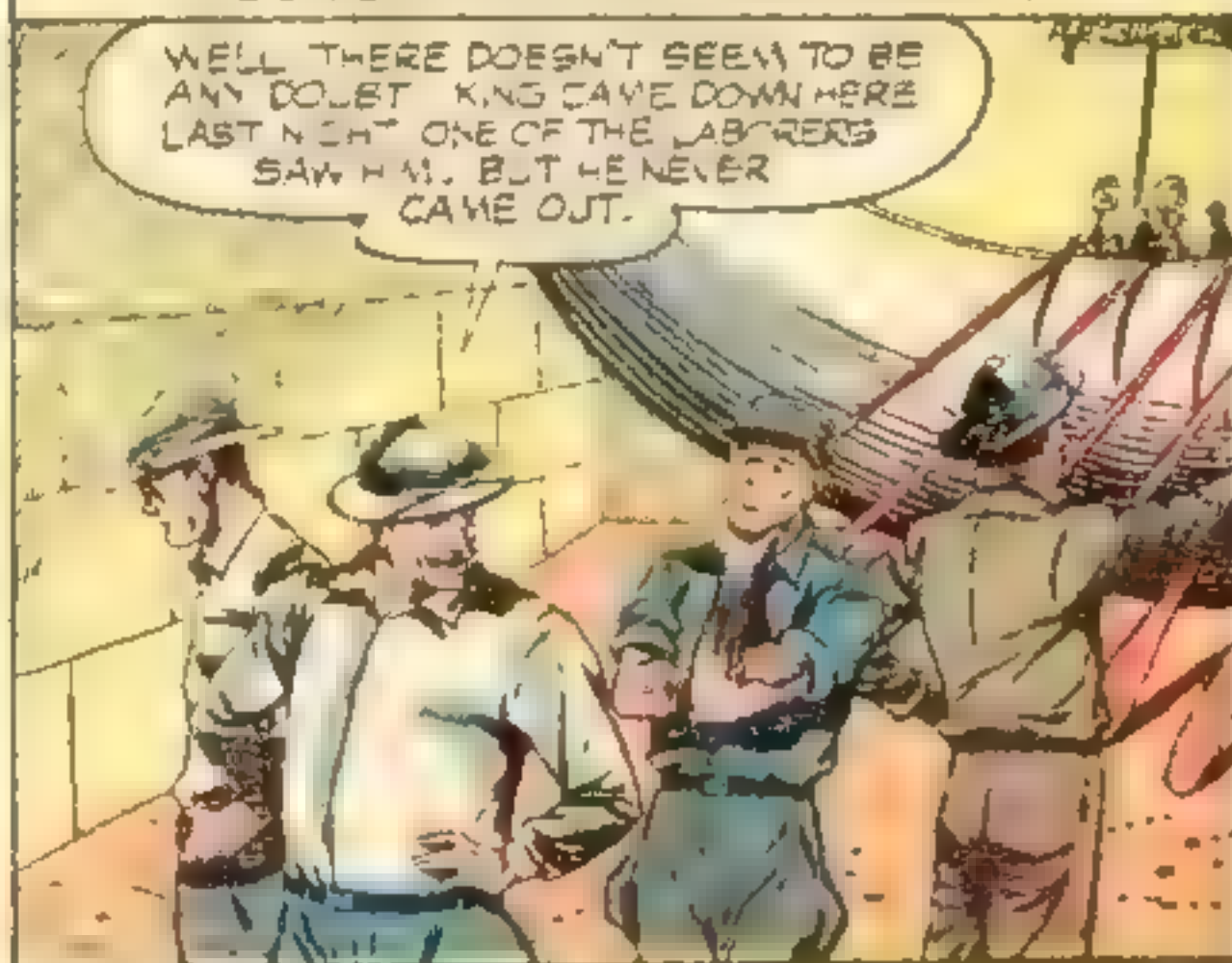


IT'S ALL HERE... MY POSSESSIONS. JUST AS I MUST HAVE ORDERED THEM LEFT HERE, FIVE THOUSAND YEARS AGO



A TOUCH OF A FINGER, AND THE GREAT STONE DOOR SWUNG SHUT! KING WAS ALONE WITH HIS TREASURES. HE DID NOT RETURN TO CAMP THAT NIGHT, NOR DID THE OTHERS FIND HIM IN THE MORNING...

WELL, THERE DOESN'T SEEM TO BE ANY DOOR! KING CAME DOWN HERE LAST NIGHT. ONE OF THE LABORERS SAW HIM, BUT HE NEVER CAME OUT.



WHICH MEANS HE MUST STILL BE DOWN THERE! BUT WHERE? ARNOLD, YOU DON'T SUPPOSE HE FOUND ANOTHER DOOR?

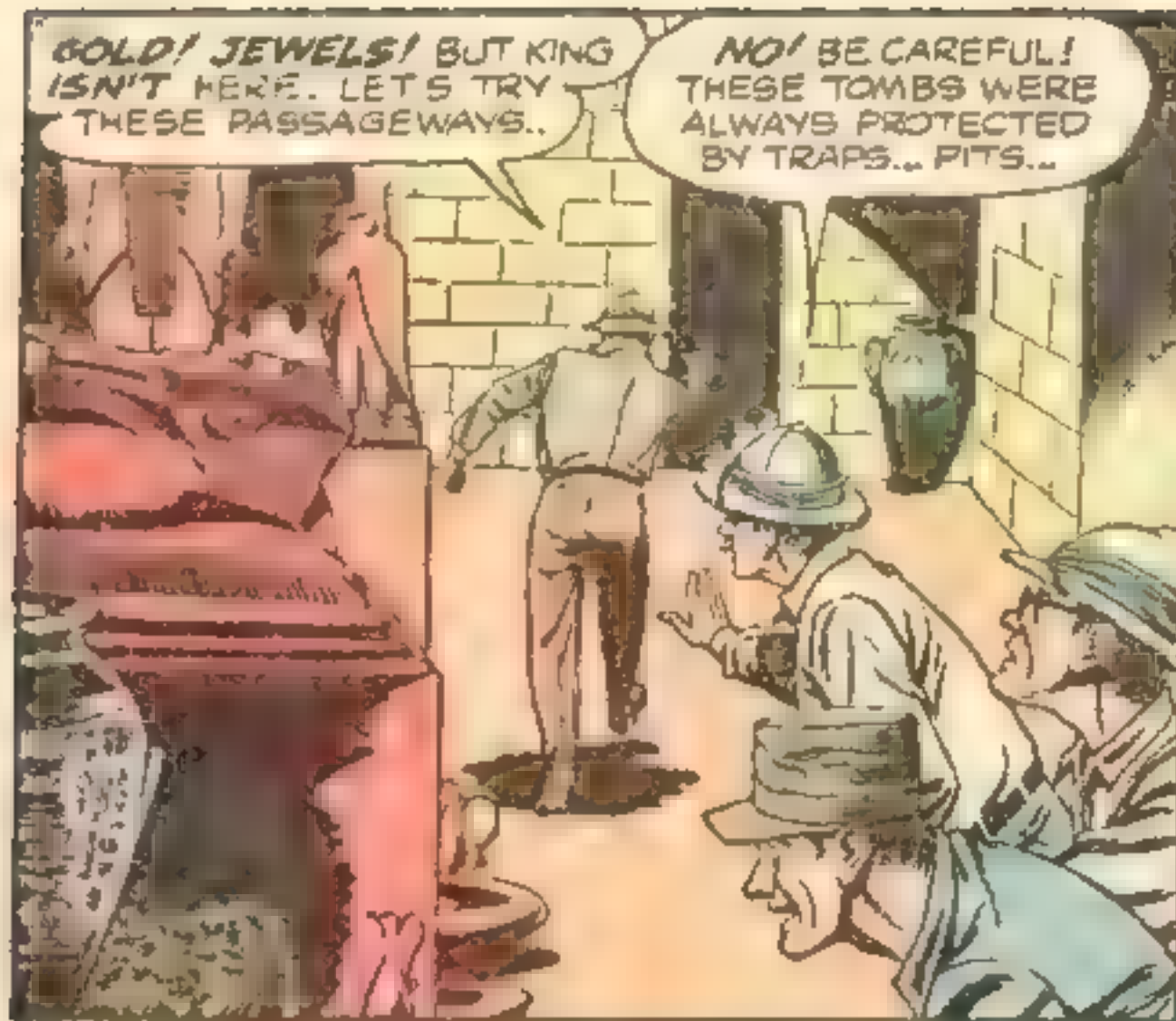
I DON'T KNOW! BUT A MAN DOESN'T JUST VANISH! LET'S SEE IF WE CAN FIND ANOTHER DOOR! IF WE CAN, MAYBE WE'LL FIND KING, TOO.



BUT THE OTHERS WERE NOT TO FIND KING, EVEN THOUGH THEY DID FIND THE OTHER GOAL...

ARNOLD! I FOUND IT! THE DOOR! I PRESSED ON ONE OF THE STONE BLOCKS AND IT SWUNG OPEN! LOOK!





GOLD! JEWELS! BUT KING ISN'T HERE. LET'S TRY THESE PASSAGEWAYS..

NO! BE CAREFUL! THESE TOMBS WERE ALWAYS PROTECTED BY TRAPS... PITS...

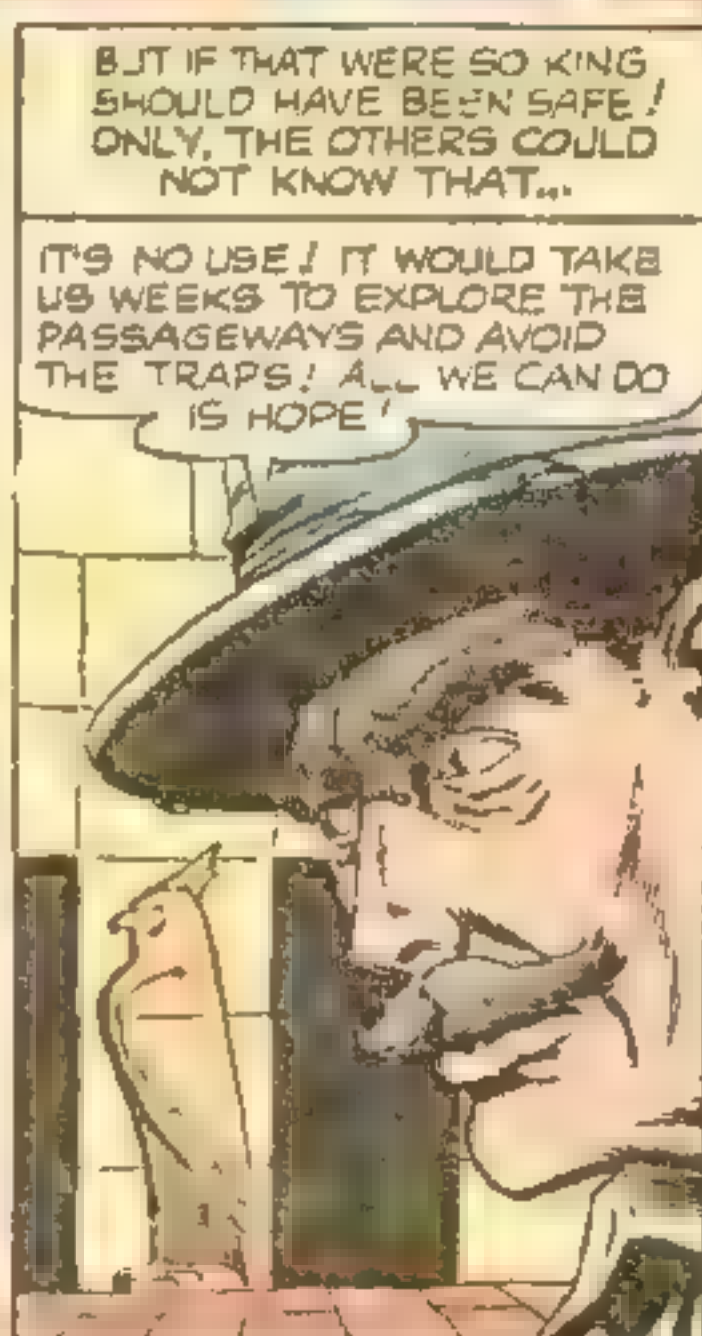


I KNEW IT! WHEN YOU STEPPED INTO THE PASSAGEWAY, YOU TRIGGERED AN ANCIENT TRAP!



AND LOOK THERE! IF KING GOT IN HERE, HE MUST HAVE GONE DOWN ONE OF THE PASSAGEWAYS! THERE IS NO SIGN OF HIM!

ONLY ONE PERSON EVER KNEW THE LOCATION OF EVERY TRAP IN A PHARAOH'S TOMB THE PHARAOH HIMSELF!



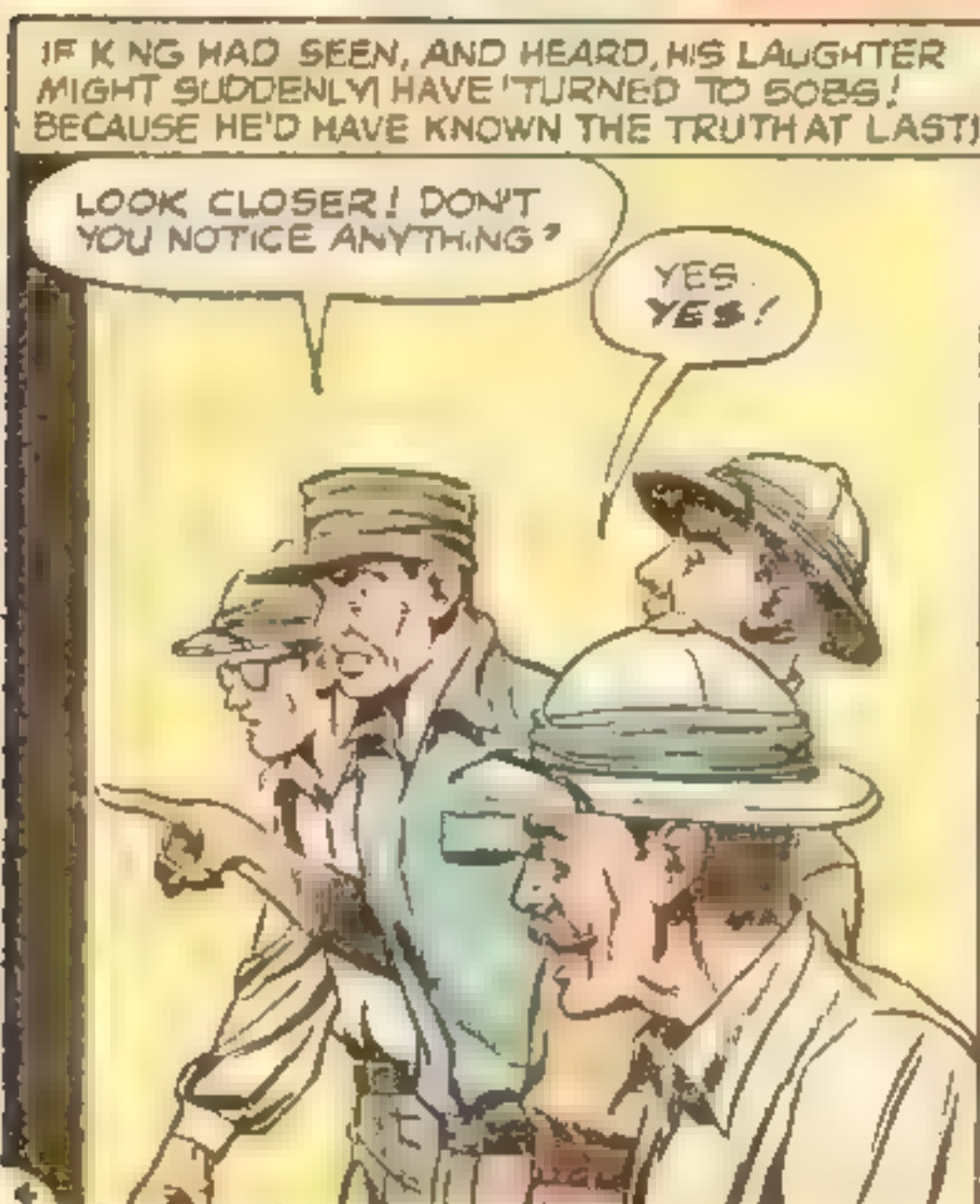
BUT IF THAT WERE SO KING SHOULD HAVE BEEN SAFE! ONLY, THE OTHERS COULD NOT KNOW THAT...

IT'S NO USE! IT WOULD TAKE US WEEKS TO EXPLORE THE PASSAGEWAYS AND AVOID THE TRAPS! ALL WE CAN DO IS HOPE!



WAIT A MINUTE! LOOK AT THIS WALL PAINTING!

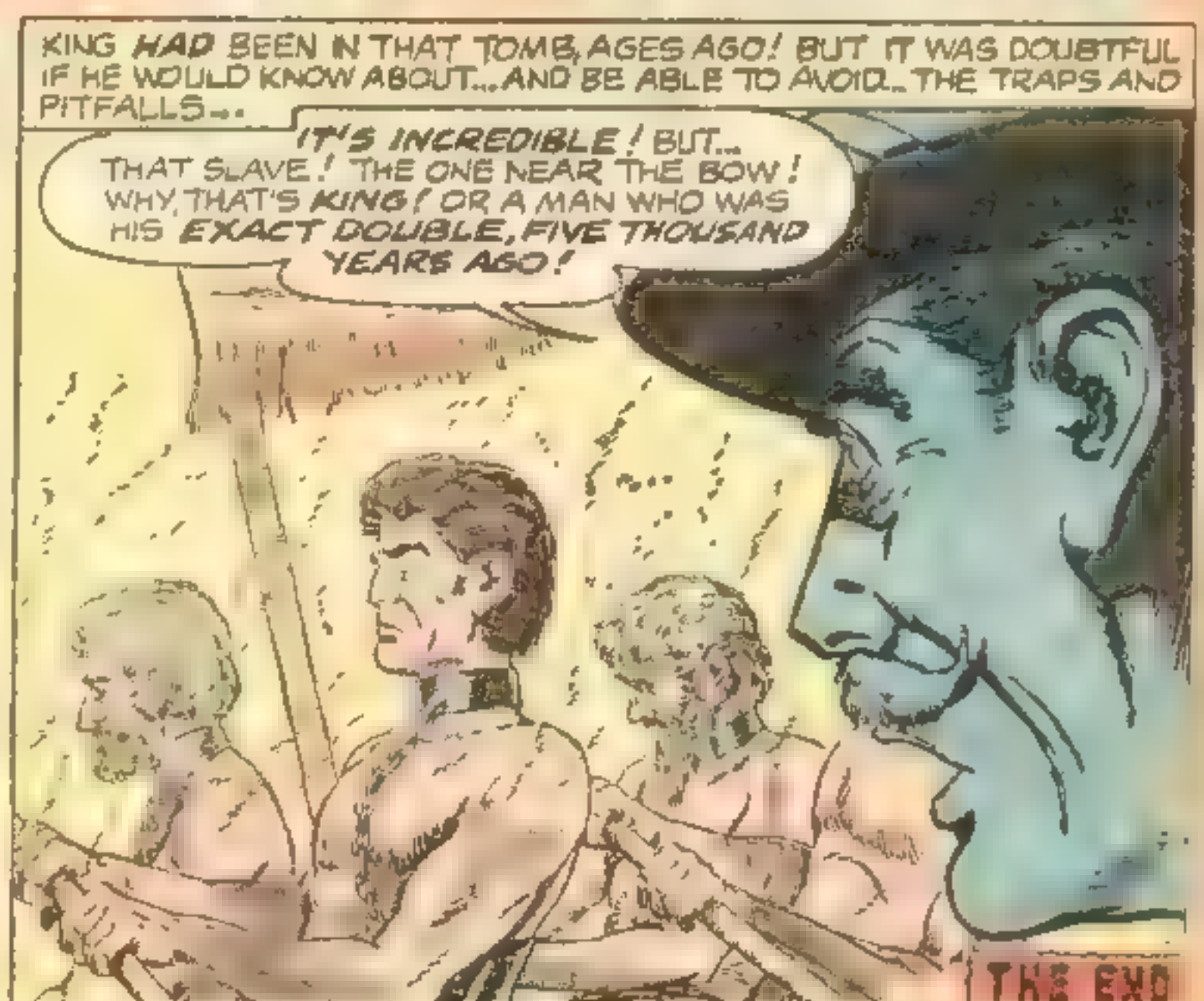
WHAT ABOUT IT? IT'S JUST A PAINTED REPRODUCTION OF THE PHARAOH'S BOAT AND THE SLAVES WHO WERE TO SERVE HIM!



IF KING HAD SEEN, AND HEARD, HIS LAUGHTER MIGHT SUDDENLY HAVE TURNED TO SOBS! BECAUSE HE'D HAVE KNOWN THE TRUTH AT LAST!

LOOK CLOSER! DON'T YOU NOTICE ANYTHING?

YES YES!



KING HAD BEEN IN THAT TOMB, AGES AGO! BUT IT WAS DOUBTFUL IF HE WOULD KNOW ABOUT... AND BE ABLE TO AVOID... THE TRAPS AND PITFALLS...

IT'S INCREDIBLE! BUT... THAT SLAVE! THE ONE NEAR THE BOW! WHY, THAT'S KING! OR A MAN WHO WAS HIS EXACT DOUBLE, FIVE THOUSAND YEARS AGO!

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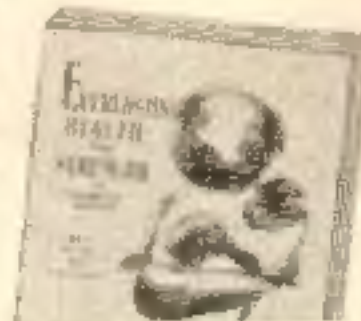
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